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FLAT REJECTION BY AMERICA OF THE JAPANESE PROPOSALS FOR MODIFICATION OF LAND LAWS GOVERNING THE SHANGHAI SETTLEMENT

30,475 Japanese Killed

CHUNGKING, May 18 (Central)—An official release of the Military Affairs Commission placed the total number of Japanese officers and men killed on the various fronts for the first half of May at 30,475.

During the period, 105 Japanese officers and men were made captive by the Chinese forces.

Included among the war spoils seized by the Chinese forces are 475 horses, 861 rifles, 55 machine and sub-machine guns, six field guns and 29,035 rounds of shells and cartridges.

No less than 101 armoured cars and tanks of the Japanese forces were destroyed by the Chinese troops on all fronts in the half month under review, while ten Japanese planes were brought down by Chinese land troops, and 78 kilometres of highway and 21 kilometres of railway were damaged by guerilla sabotage.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT URGED TO PRESS FOR POSITIVE ACTION BY LEAGUE IN ASSISTANCE TO CHINA

LONDON, MAY 18 (REUTER)—A DEPUTATION, CONSISTING OF LORD CECIL, LORD SNELL AND THE EARL OF LISTOWEL, will visit the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, to-morrow to urge that the British Government use all its weight at Geneva for more positive action by the League for assistance to China.



DR. WELLINGTON KOO

Reuter understands that at the forthcoming meeting of the League Council, China will press for the formation of necessary machinery, with a view to bringing pressure on Japan more effectively than by benevolent recommendations to the Powers to assist China with all means at their disposal, which is all China has so far succeeded in extracting at Geneva.

Dr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Ambassador in London, is going to Geneva to-morrow with M. Maisky, Soviet Ambassador to Britain, and will meet Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese Ambassador to France, in Paris.

Dr. Quo and Dr. Koo will jointly represent China at Geneva, though the burden of presenting China's case to the Council will fall, as usual, mostly on Dr. Koo.

Restoration Of Hongkew, Yangtzepoo And Wayside Areas To S.M.C. Control Requested In U.S. Note

SHANGHAI, MAY 18 (REUTER)—REUTER LEARNS THAT THE UNITED STATES REPLY TO THE JAPANESE REQUEST, FOR MODIFICATION OF THE LAND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT IN SHANGHAI, IS A FLAT REJECTION.

The reply goes even further by requesting the Japanese authorities to restore the Japanese-occupied Settlement areas north of Soochow Creek, which is under Japanese occupation, to the control of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

The reply was handed to the Foreign Office in Tokyo yesterday by the American Ambassador to Japan, Mr. Joseph Grew.

The United States Note says that the revision of land regulations cannot be discussed until stable conditions develop and declares that no satisfactory agreement can be expected at present, owing to the abnormal conditions resulting from the Japanese invasion of China.

The Note warns the Japanese against taking advantage of developments which originated elsewhere and are prejudicing the international character of the Settlement.

The Note says that the American Government will be ready to enter into friendly negotiations regarding revision of the land regulations, but opposes negotiations at present, owing to the abnormal situation.

LAWLESS ACTIVITIES

The Note points out that the efforts of the Settlement authorities to perform their normal functions have been seriously handicapped by lawless activities in areas adjoining the Settlement, and by the refusal of the Japanese military authorities to restore Hongkew, Yangtzepoo and Wayside areas to the control of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

The Note emphasizes that Shanghai is a cosmopolitan city and any action taken to revise its status would involve many countries.



Dr. Leslie Burgin, who has been appointed Minister of Supply in the newly-created post in the British Cabinet.

HITLER FACED WITH DIFFICULT DECISION

Military Policy Must Be Changed

ITALY'S POSITION

In a talk on world affairs, broadcast last night from Daventry, Sir Alfred Zimmern, Montague Burton Professor of International Relations in the University of Oxford, remarked that Herr Hitler had a very difficult decision to take because if he goes to war he will go to war on two fronts.

How can the democracies help Hitler to come to a decision? "We want to leave him in no doubt as to what will take place if he tries to make further bloodless conquests," declared Sir Alfred.

The speaker particularly stressed the reciprocal long terms agreement with Turkey, military or otherwise, in the Mediterranean. Turkey was the fourth country brought into the agreement with Britain, the others being Greece, Rumania and Yugoslavia. He said, in the case of war might remain neutral but they would not be against Britain. Poland was now Britain's ally.

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NEW COMPETITION STARTS TO-DAY

A wonderful opportunity for boys and girls to make some extra pocket money and to win free cinema tickets is offered by the "Hongkong Daily Press" and the M-G-M Pictures, in connexion with a new competition which starts to-day. Rules will be found on page 6.

GERMANY'S MOVE IN PRAGUE

LONDON, May 18 (Reuter)—Reuter learns that the German Government has informed the British Legation in Prague that the British Legation in Prague will not enjoy extraterritorial rights after May 25. The position of the British, and other Legations, has been the subject of consultations for some time, and the position is now being considered in the light of Germany's move.

EXPRESS CRASH ON DANZIG LINE

DANZIG, May 18 (Reuter)—The Warsaw-Gdynia express crashed outside the Danzig station early this morning. Several carriages were overturned and the engine was wrecked. The cause of the accident is a mystery. The train does not stop at Danzig and the line is perfectly clear.

The driver and firemen were badly hurt but the passengers escaped lightly.

CRICKET LUNCH SCORES

LONDON, May 18 (Reuter)—Cricket lunch scores are as follows:—Cambridge University v. West Indies 107 3; Essex v. Glamorgan, no play; Kent 72 v. Worcester 146; Middlesex v. Northants, no play; Oxford University 34 for 2 v. Lancashire, had light stopped play; Yorkshire 150 for 5 v. Gloucester; Somerset 224 for 3 v. Sussex.

Mr. Eamon de Valera, Eire Prime Minister, has protested against Irish who are living in Britain being liable to service under the new conscription laws, says Reuter.

JAPANESE STATEMENT ON SAGRES

INVESTIGATIONS NECESSARY

TOKYO, May 18 (Reuter)—Asked concerning the detention of two British steamers in South China a Navy Office spokesman stated the Sagres was visited by Japanese naval authorities in Chaonan Bay near Swatow and was found to be carrying a large number of Chinese regulars evidently being used by the Chinese authorities for military purposes.

"She is of British registry but many points had to be clarified, therefore, the vessel was taken to Mako for further investigation," which revealed the cargo consisted of Chinese Government salt.

The vessel had made seven previous voyages for the same purpose and the Japanese naval authorities concluded the Sagres had not been engaged in peaceful trade but was assisting the Kuomintang Government so that further investigations were necessary.

The spokesman hoped that British vessels would in future refrain from actions which were liable to cause misunderstandings. He said he had no information regarding the other British vessel.

GANDHI RENOUNCES COURT AWARD

DELHI, May 18 (Reuter)—Mr. Gandhi has renounced the award given by the High Court regarding reform in Rajkot. He said that the Court decision was made following his fast which he declared might be regarded as coercion on the Ruler of Rajkot State. Mr. Gandhi now frees the Ruler from obligations and will appeal to him to reform the conditions of inhabitants in Rajkot.

JAPANESE REVERSES IN NORTH HUPEH: LULL ON NANCHANG SECTOR

FANCHENG, HUPEH, May 18 (Central)—The Japanese offensive in north Hupeh persistently described by Japanese propagandists as the "encirclement" has suffered serious reverses. Taking advantage of the hilly terrain, the Chinese, have cleverly outmanoeuvred the invaders, inflicting thousands of casualties during the battles in the last fortnight. It is said that certain narrow mountain paths were virtually blocked and some of the hills strewn with Japanese dead and dying.

According to field dispatches, about four divisions of Japanese troops sent from Wuchang and other points, along the lower reaches of the Yangtze River started the offensive in three columns. One column attacked Tungpa, on the Honan-Hupeh border, another pushed toward the Han River valley at Chungshiang and the third assaulted the Chinese positions near Tahnungshan and Suhsien.

During the "seesaw" fighting in the hilly regions around Suhsien the Japanese suffered heavily. At Tahnungshan alone some 2,000 Japanese were slain in action. While fighting was proceeding in these areas, a Japanese force comprising a cavalry regiment and two infantry detachments, made a forced march across the northern Hupeh border into Honan and launched sudden attacks on Tangho, 105 miles northwest of Siangyeh, and Sinyeh, 38 miles southwest of Tangho.

KINNIUCHEN REGAINED PINGKIANG HUNAN, May 18 (Central)—Kinnichuan, a small town 45 miles southeast of Hankow in southeastern Hupeh, has changed hands twice within 72 hours, finally returning to Chinese control. The Chinese recaptured it on May 13 following a fierce attack.

CHUNGKING, May 18 (Central)—A squadron of Chinese planes bombed a Japanese troop train in the vicinity of Kashi, on the Shanghai-Hankow Railway, 13 miles northeast of Kashi, Sunday, according to a Shanghai report. The train was wrecked and Japanese suffered many casualties.

BAGGAGE RACKET THRIVING ON KOWLOON WHARVES

Irish Accused Fight In Dock Of Old Bailey

LONDON, May 18 (Reuter)—Two Irishmen, sentenced respectively to ten and five years' penal servitude for the possession of gelignite and detonators, fought frantically in the dock of the Old Bailey to-day and endeavoured to escape.

After a fierce struggle they were overpowered by five warders.

When called upon to plead, both accused remained mute, and refused to speak.

ADMIRALTY CHANGES

NEW C. IN C. FOR MEDITERRANEAN

LONDON, May 18 (Reuter)—Admiral Sir Dudley Pound has been appointed Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and Chief of Naval Staff in succession to Admiral Sir Roger Backhouse, who had relinquished his appointment owing to ill-health.

Vice-Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean with the acting rank of Admiral in succession to Admiral Sir Dudley Pound.

Rear-Admiral T.A.V. Phillips has been appointed Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and Deputy Chief of Naval Staff in succession to Vice-Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham.

THE DOLLAR

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From Our Own Correspondent

London, May 18.

London silver prices to-day were down 1/16 as follows:—

May 17 May 18

Spot 20-1/8 20-1/16

Forward 19-15/16 19-7/8

"SQUEEZE MERCHANTS" EXPOSED PUBLICLY

(Special to the "Hongkong Daily Press")

A GROUP OF "SQUEEZE MERCHANTS" HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INTO THE OPEN, HERE IN HONGKONG, THROUGH THE DISCOVERY BY THE "DAILY PRESS" OF THE EXISTENCE OF A "BAGGAGE RACKET."

The almost backward methods of handling travellers' baggage from ships and trains to destinations in the Colony is the main reason for the successful existence of the racketeers. Composed of a large group of coolies, they resort to unethical means in transportation of the unsuspecting visitors' baggage.

During the past months rumours of baggage racketeering on many steamship lines have been heard. However, it was not until the arrival of the Empress of Asia from Vancouver, via Shanghai, last Wednesday, that any evidence was obtained.

Arriving from Canada was an elderly Chinese gentleman with three members of his family. Baggage coolies, allowed on the Canadian Pacific S. S. Co.'s vessel by means of a Company pass, contacted the traveller and arranged to pick up his baggage from the pier. When charges were discussed, the coolie demanded an excessive amount for transportation, plus a "commission," for an official to examine the baggage.

The traveller refused to pay what he obviously considered to be "squeeze."

Finally, a European Wharfinger succeeded in having the baggage inspected and delivered by a reputable transport company. When the elderly gentleman left the pier he asked the European to accompany him, and his family, to a taxi as he feared violence from the "coolie gang" waiting outside the Hongkong and Kowloon Godown's gates.

When Major C. M. Manners, Manager of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., was interviewed he deplored the conditions now existing for baggage transportation from steamships at the Kowloon Godown Wharves.

Steamship companies state they are not responsible for the passengers' luggage after it leaves their ships, nor is the Godown Company when it is on the pier.

CLEARING STATION

Consequently, Major Manners has suggested to the steamship companies and is doing so again; that the only way to eliminate this problem is for a central baggage clearing station in the godowns. His company will be responsible for baggage removals from ships into the "clearing quarters."

Here, it may be inspected and turned over to the owners, who in turn, hand it to their personal coolies or a reputable baggage service, via the Canton Road exit.

Such a method is employed in all large ports of the world and meets with favourable success.

Following such an arrangement there would be no need for coolies and they would not be allowed on the piers or steamers.

When the officials of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Co., were informed of this plan, they announced that they would welcome such an arrangement and would be the first to accept the plan—it would be to their advantage.

Pope Pius XII yesterday morning revived a ceremony which has not been performed for 90 years, says a Reuter message from Rome. His Holiness drove from the Vatican to the parish Church of the Bishop of Rome.

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In the World of Sports

OLYMPIAD GAMES: U.S.A. LOOKS TO HELSINKI

No Jesse Owens But Well Represented In Sprints

(By "Recorder")

The Amateur Athletic Union of the U.S.A. will be able to call forth next year, for the Olympic Games at Helsinki, Finland, a team that promises to be in no way inferior to any that have yet represented the U.S.A. in the Games.

Where no second Jesse Owens has to date been unearthed, America will not be weak in the sprint events. Reports have reached us of a 16-year-old California schoolboy, Eddie Morris, who recently ran 220 yards in 21 seconds flat.

Although it would be difficult to give much credit to this report, which was accepted with reservation even by the American press, the U.S.A. has yet other sprinters who could be called forth to emulate the feats of the champions of Los Angeles and Berlin.

In a tri-variety meet on April 15, Billy Brown, a sophomore student at Louisiana State University and a member of the Olympic Team to Berlin in 1936, won the long jump with a prodigious effort of 25 feet 4 1/2 inches. Brown was competing in his first intercollegiate meet, and on the strength of this performance it would not be unwise to predict that he will clear 26 feet before the end of the year.

He won also the 100 yards in the sound time of 9.6 seconds and the high jump at 6 feet 3 inches. At 20 years of age, he has already done a hop-step-jump of 49 feet 10 inches, the 220 yards in 21.2 seconds, and the 220 yards low hurdles in 24.2 secs.

CLYDE JEFFREY

A prospect second to Brown is Clyde Jeffrey, Stanford's most promising sprinter in a decade, who last year returned best times of 20.5 seconds for 220 yards and 9.6 seconds for 100 yards.

Jeffrey has started the year well with early season efforts of 9.8 and 21.0 for the two distances. Another sprinter, Wilbur Greer of Michigan State College, a veteran already to international competition, surprised twice in early season, on the first occasion running 75 yards in 7.4 secs to equal the world record, and later defeating Rice Institute's great Fred Wolcott over 100 yards in the sound time of 9.5 secs.

Other names in the sprint lists that should be carefully watched in a check-up on candidates for the Olympic sprint titles are those of Barney Ewell, Moez Eliber, and Herbert Thompson, all Negroes.

MIDDLE-DISTANCES

The middle-distance sensation of the indoor season was John Borjesson, who set the "impossible" record for 880 yards indoors of 1 min. 49.8 secs. However, Borjesson will be strongly challenged by the Olympic champion, "Long John" Woodruff, who has changed his mind about retiring from the track, and is "faring to go." Either of the two, or both, should beat 1:49 for the half-mile this year.

Mile running suffered a poor indoor season, Glenn Cunningham, who returned the best time, managing nothing better than 4 mins. 10.8 secs. Wayne Ridgeout did 4:10.9 and Chuck Fonsake 4:11.1. However, Archie San Romani, John Arthur Munski, Blaine Ridgeout, Gene Vonzke, and Leslie MacMillan have all been under 4:15 within the last three months, and this promises well for the Mile of the Century in June when England's Sydney Wooderson will have the pick of at least ten good milers to run against in an attempt at the world record.

NEW 5,000 METRES MARK

Don Laati, veteran distance runner, showed good form in setting a new American standard of 14:30.9 in the 5,000 metres run, on the strength of which performance he could have finished 4th in Berlin. In Elmo Pentti, Greg Rice, and Walter Mehl, the U.S.A. have also three of the best prospects ever in the distance runs.

On April 20, the 43rd annual Boston Marathon was won in record time of 2 h. 23 m. 51.8 s., bettered only twice in the 43-year history of modern Marathon running, by the Narragansett Indian, Ellison M. "Tarzan" Brown, of Westerly, Rhode Island.

With Fred Wolcott, Allan Tolmich, Roy Staley, Tom Moore, Jack Patterson, John Borjesson, and others in the hurdling events, the U.S.A. has no cause for alarm that the triumphs of Towns and Hardin at Berlin will not be repeated at Helsinki.

High jumpers have not been doing at all well, but Lester Steers, California's White Hope, reached 6 ft. 8 1/2 inches in March, and Melvin Walker, the world-record holder, has cleared an even 8 ft. 8 ins.

MEADOWS STILL GOOD

Pole-vaulters have been "doing their stuff" and the lead in this year's competition has been taken by the veteran Olympic champion, Earle Meadows, who set this year an indoor record of 14 feet 8 1/2 inches. Cornelius Warmerdam has done 14 ft. 6 1/8 ins. Loring Day, 14 feet 5 ins. and Milt Padway 14 feet 2 1/2 ins. All these marks have been set within the past four months.

Three shot-putters, Stan Andersen and Bill Wohle of Stanford, and Elmer Hackney, of Kansas State, have passed the 52-foot mark in their event. Andersen's best of 52 feet 8 inches being the best performance.

In the discus throw Phil Levy leads so far this year with a best throw of over 164 feet, while Pete Zagor has passed 163 feet.

Bob Peoples, of the University of Southern California, throw the javelin out to 234 ft. 1 7/8 ins. at Long Beach on March 18, to set a new American record. His teammate, Hugo DeGroot, a comparative newcomer to spear-throwing, surprised with a heave of more than 227 feet, while the veteran Ed Waterbury surprised even more by throwing past the 231-foot mark.

NEXT OLYMPIC GAMES

Australian Team For Finland

The Australian Olympic Association has decided to send a strong team next year to the Olympic to be held at Helsinki in Finland. The team left Sydney on the Orford on May 3 and will arrive in London on June 15 and then leave for Finland via Copenhagen.

The Olympic games will commence on July 20 and go on till August 3.

The tourists will return to England on August 11 and then embark on the P. and O. Maloja for Sydney on August 17.

It is estimated that the cost per head will be £235.

LADIES' GOLF

The Golden Jubilee Competition for the Ladies Section of the Royal Hongkong G.C. played over the Deep Water Bay Course on Tuesday, May 16, resulted as follows:—Mrs. R. M. Pearce, 3 down; Mrs. B. Leighton and Mrs. L. Blair, 4 down.

Final Derby Acceptors

Latest Call-Over: Blue Peter Favourite

LONDON, May 18 (Reuter)—The following are the final acceptors for the Derby with their jockeys:

Triguero (Burns), Vesperian (Elliot), Heliopola (Perryman), Fox Cub (Gordon Richards), Romeo II (Brethes), Hastings (Jones), Admiral's Walk (Harry Wragg), Dhoni (Smirke), Manna-ka (Beary), Fair Chance (Rickaby), Fairfax (Lowrey), Major Brackey (Simpson), King Legend (Carlslake), Blue Peter (E. Smith), Burton (Stephenson), Rogerston Castle (Marshall), About Maitre (Cliff Richards), Casanova (Nevett), and Hypnotist (Beasley).

The following have also accepted but no jockeys have yet been found:

Fairstone, Wheatland, Ortiz, Ballman, Larchfield, Roderick Dhu, Salford II.

LATEST CALL-OVER

The latest call-over is as follows: Blue Peter, 75/20 (t and o) Hypnotist, 17/2 (o), 9/1 (t) Admiral's Walk, 100/9 (o), 100/8 (t)

Heliopola, 100/8 (t and o) Fairstone, 100/8 (o), 13/1 (t) Friguero, 13/1 (o) Fox Cub 100/7 (t and o) Casanova, 22/1 (o), 25/1 (t) Romeo, 25/1 (o) Burton, 25/1 (o) 28/1 (t) Hastings, 28/1 (o) Dhoni, 33/1 (t and o) Ortiz, 33/1 (o) Salford, 33/1 (o) Nesperian 8, 33/1 (o) About Maitre, 33/1 (o) Major Brackey, 40/1 (o) Wheatland, 40/1 (o) Fairfax, 40/1 (o) Bellman, 40/1 (o) Rogerston Castle, 50/1 (o) Manna-ka, 50/1 (o) King Legend, 50/1 (o) All the other acceptors have been offered at 66/1.

TOMMY FARR BEATS GAINS

Loser Retires In Fifth Round Of 12-Round Bout

CARDIFF, May 18 (Reuter)—A crowd of 35,000 was present at the open air stadium here to see Tommy Farr defeat Larry Gains who retired at the end of the fifth round of their twelve-round fight with an injured right hand.

Farr was superior in every department and attacked throughout, landing easily to the face. He was speedier than Gains, who relied on his defensive skill.

Gains was almost down in the fifth round when Farr landed a right swing to his head. Both weighed 14 st. 8 1/2 lb. The threatening rain kept off, but there was a cold wind blowing throughout the bout.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

Club Selections For Saturday

The following have been selected to represent R.H.K. Yacht Club and Kowloon Tong Club in league lawn bowls matches on Saturday, against Kowloon Football Club and Talkoo Recreation Club respectively:—

Kowloon Tong (Away)
C. Mose, J. Tang, J. L. Stephens, A. Spary (skip).
A. E. Castro, Y. Abbas, A. J. Kew, A. H. Basto (skip).
J. N. Wong, T. K. Lim, W. J. Howard, H. Gittins (skip).
Reserves: T. M. Gregory, H. Y. Kiu, H. Castro.

Yacht Club (Away)
A. W. Brown, G. H. Bond, P. B. Cassidy, W. A. Cornell, D. Forbes, W. J. Eassey, B. E. Maughan, A. S. Mitchell, A. Nisim, L. E. N. Ryan, R. H. Wild, and A. N. Other.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB: ENTRIES FOR FIFTH EXTRA MEETING

The following are the entries for the Fifth Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, May 27 and Monday, May 29.

FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, MAY 27

1.—Bondi Handicap: Winner \$600, Second \$300, Third \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies of any Season. Ponies classified "A" Class that have won two or more races since January 1, 1939, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Courting Eve, Criffel, Double Finesse, King's Privilege, Snowy River, Triumphant Day.

2.—Lead Mine Handicap—1st or 2nd Section: Winner \$600, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies, "B" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

Avon, Blue Express, Boolat Bay, Conquering Time, Eve of Harvest, Expansion Time, Galaxy, Glagla, Hectic View, Humdrum Eve, Jennifer, Jober, Just in Time, Lancashire Lass, Moonlight View, New Star, Oak Bay, Potentate, Red Feather, Rob Roy, Tampa Bay.

3.—Whitsun Handicap: Winner \$750, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Celtic Star, King Kong, Magog, Markman, Mileage, Musketeer, 4 or 9.—Shatin Handicap: 1st or 2nd Section: Winner \$600, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies, "D" Class. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season that have won more than \$1,000 in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

Advancing Time, Coronation Day, Dekko, Diogenes, Double Chance, Ebony Idol, Emergency Call, Estover, Fel Ying, Flybynight, Gold Coin, Gold Sovereign, Good Morning, Guinness Time, Jack O'Lantern, King's Worthy, Kut Cheung, Lancashire Chap, Heddon, Magog, Meteor, Mileage, National Anthem, National Honour, Night View, Phoenix, Plain View, Radium Star, Royal Highness, Some Hope, Sylvandale, Tempest, Tiny Tim, Tribute, Whalsey, Wild Bear, Willy-nilly, Zero.

5.—Spencer Handicap: Winner \$800, Second \$300, Third \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies, "B" Class. Winners of \$1,500 or more in stakes since January 1, 1939, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Aztec, Blandford, Criffel, Derby Day, Happy Landings, King's Privilege, Rising Star, Rivulet, Scarlett O'Hara, Snowy River, Tornadillo Star, Vixen Tor.

7.—Stonewall Plate: Winner \$800, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season. Winners of more than \$500 in stakes, barred. Weight for inches as per scale. To be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5. Half A Mile.

Black Diamond 152, Blaisdon 158, Bogy 155, Bressay 161, Charcoal 152, Fairchild 152, Gallant Marshal 158, George 155, Gog 161, Green Bay 155, Kut Cheung 152, National Honour 158, Old Fashioned 155, Opening Bataman 161, Pall Mall 158, Patriotic Day 161, Rose Day 155, Sea Horse 158, Sports Venture 158, Talkative 158, Thanksgiving Day 152, The Buccaneer 152, The Spirit of St. Louis 155, Tiger Eyes 155, True Love 155, Welcome 161.

8.—Warwick Farm Handicap: Winner \$300, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies of this Season. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

Ajax, Baffin Bay, Gale, Hellum, Janber, King's Herald, Olympiad Court, Poconos, Ruby Star, Schmetterling, Tarzan.

SECOND DAY, MONDAY, MAY 29

1.—Whitsun Plate: Winner \$750, Second \$300, Third \$200. A Handicap for China Ponies. Ponies classified "A" class that have won \$5,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1939, barred. Entrance \$5. One and a Quarter Miles.

Advancing Time, Chatterbox, Cluwer, Coronation Day, Dekko, Double Chance, Estover, February Fourth, Fel Ying, Flybynight, Gold Coin, Gold Sovereign, Good Morning, King's Worthy, Lancashire Chap, Magog, Mileage, National Honour, Night View, Orange Boven, Phoenix, Plain View, Portrush, Royal Highness, Silver Star, Some Hope, Starlet, Tempest, This Time, Tiny Tim, Tribute, Wilber, Wild Bear, Willy-nilly.

3.—Sharks Bay Handicap: Winner \$800, Second \$300, Third \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies of this Season. Winners at this meeting and ponies that have won more than \$2,000 in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Ajax, Baffin Bay, Gale, Hellum, Janber, King's Herald, Olympiad Court, Poconos, Ruby Star, Schmetterling, Tarzan.

4 or 7.—Green Island Handicap: 1st or 2nd Section—Winner \$800, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies, "C" Class. Winners at this meeting and Ponies of this Season, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

A Great Time, Annabella, Breton, Brutus, Dick Turpin, Discovery Bay, Macquarie River, Murray River, Perfect Day, Roofly, Strathcarrick, Twilight Star, Violet Queen, Zodiac.

ing Girl, Lovely Star, Musketeer, Pinfarthings, Rose Emily, Rose Evelyn, Rose Jane, Rose-Queen, Scenic View, Smiling Thru, Soldier of Britain, Tyne.

6.—Woolahra Handicap: Winner \$600, Second \$300, Third \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies of this Season. Winners of two or more races and winners at this meeting, barred. Jockey Allowance \$5. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Chiltern, Cockleroi, Devonian, Happy Landings, King's Herald, Rising Star, Rivulet, Ruby Star, Schmetterling.

8.—Beaufort Handicap: Winner \$800, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies, Griffins of this Season. Winners at this meeting and ponies that have won more than \$2,000 in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Avon, Blue Express, Factorite, Galaxy, Galveston Bay, Hectic View, Jennifer, Jillian, Rose Emily.

9.—Manly Handicap: Winner \$800, Second \$300, Third \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies, "C" Class. Winners at this meeting and Ponies of this Season, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

A Great Time, Annabella, Breton, Brutus, Dick Turpin, Discovery Bay, Macquarie River, Murray River, Perfect Day, Roofly, Strathcarrick, Twilight Star, Violet Queen, Zodiac.

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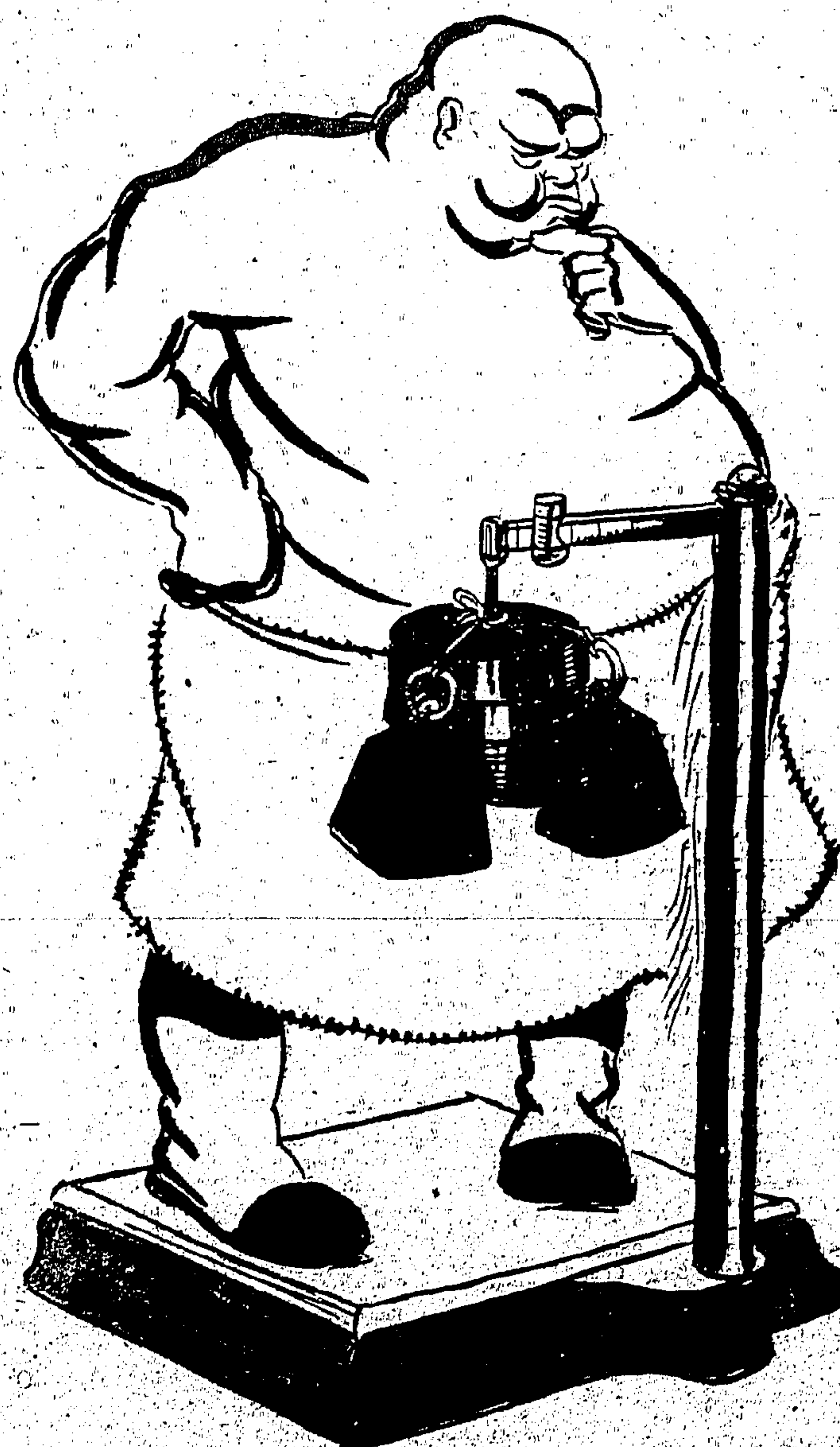
BADMINTON.—Y. M. C. A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 8.30 p.m.

SWIMMING.—Mixed Swimming, in European Y.M.C.A. Swimming Pool, 8.30 p.m.

TENNIS LEAGUE.—Mixed doubles Division, K.C.C. "B" v. Chinese R.C., United Services R.C. v. Reco, H.K.C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. "A".

10.—Smugglers Plate: Winner \$300, Second \$300, Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Season. Winners of more than \$500 in stakes, barred. Weight: 10 lb. under weight for inches. 2 lb. penalty for every 100 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

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CONFIDE IN FAITH PRIOR

SOCIETY? HAS LATELY taken up residence in the Colony, and in a short time has found fault with the social rules and manners. She inquires if there is anything permanent and real in Hongkong, any husbands and wives who are faithful, and if any of the men here ever heard of manners?

SUCH HARSH CRITICISM may be deserved by a few, but not by Hongkong residents, as a whole. I think you are too quick to form an opinion especially a general one. However, it is delightful that you have found nothing much worse to condemn, because, as in every seaport, you no doubt can find much more "hair raising" habits! And, remember, there is just a soupcon of a possibility that you would have received that preferred "oblivion" but for the companions who shared the society items with you. Forgive them for not immediately comprehending your preference.

If we slip in our tense now and then, that is alright, and if you did not look for unfaithful husbands, maybe you would not find them. Furthermore, what is the matter with your eyesight and hearing? Something real and permanent is what you want, then visit the overcrowded "poorer districts" in this city as a social worker. Do something for the under-fed little girl selling papers or wares on a street corner, or for the little ones you see sleeping on door steps. What about the refugees?

A MOTHER WISHES to entertain for a young daughter on her sixteenth birthday, what sort of amusement can she provide, the usual home party is out of the question due to small quarters and finances are limited.

At sixteen a girl is really growing up and consequently, the entertainment varies. What about an afternoon tea in one of the hotels, or an all day sailing party for six or eight people, with lunch? Maybe a bridge party in the evening with a late supper; or a progressive supper party? If there are several old, intimate friends in your daughter's group, arrange with them to have one of these affairs, soup to nuts in different homes along a route, it is an old idea but one that is always pleasing and enjoyable.

UNCERTAIN HAS received an announcement card of an engagement and wishes to know if this means she is obligated to send a gift. She does not know the engaged couple intimately.

AN ENGAGEMENT present is never an obligation. Sometimes, it is true, the nearest friends of the girl, even on occasion the family of the man, presents the bride-to-be with a gift (usually linen for her trousseau) but only because they want to and not because they are expected to do so. An engraved or printed card announcing the engagement is not approved by etiquette. Correctly, impersonal announcements are made in a newspaper. Personal announcements should be made verbally or by written notes.

DOUBTFUL wishes to know if there is any truth in the statement that "a person's character can be read to some extent from handwriting?"

NOT TOO ACCURATELY, perhaps, but it is easy to spot the show-offs with their flourishes, the careless ones who omit syllables, the neat, precise souls who write very plainly with well-formed letters. One does get quite a definite impression of personalities from hand writing. And once ours was interpreted and was quite true to facts—no doubt about it we're safer with a typewriter.

CRITIC WRITES a long tirade about smoking, the greatest fault is when a man smokes a pipe at the dining table. She also asks, is it not proper and polite to thank a man for any public courtesies?

I AGREEED WITH you, a man should never smoke a pipe at the dining table. A gentleman always asks permission to smoke a pipe when ladies are present, but really the only time it is considered incorrect to smoke the briar is when he is in full evening dress, meaning tails. This does not go only for men, women should always ask permission to smoke when in other people's home.

Regarding public courtesies, it is never improper to be polite. At the same time, if you are out with a man, then it is true that you would, more or less, take for granted the ordinary courtesies that are expected from a gentleman. But you would certainly say "thank you" to a total stranger, no matter who the stranger is, for any gesture of courtesy made to you.

DEAR FAITH PRIOR: I am thirty-two years of age, I was married at 18 and lived one year with my husband. We separated after that time and neither of us have communicated with each other since, in fact I do not know if he is still living. However, during the past two-and-a-half years I have been living with another man. I know it is against the laws of society, maybe I should try and make excuses, but I love my present common-law husband and could not have married him at the time I met him. Our life is very happy, he has set aside a saving account in a bank for me; we are congenial and both of us are making a success of our daily life. Now, a new problem comes along, I am going to have a child, naturally, I wish to marry, how do I go about fulfilling this desire, he knows I was married before.

DISTRESSED.

DEAR DISTRESSED: Very few people are strong enough to defy the social laws by which the majority of people in the world live and I do not think in the long run that you will be. First of all attempt to locate your missing husband and secure a divorce. Write to his last address, to the police in

Fashion

PRE-VIEW

PANTIE SKIRTS FOR THAT SUMMER DAZE

SUMMER DAZE! PANTIE SKIRTS: Two things of "this" moment. You can't avoid either one of them: new fashions won't allow it.

You see—pantie skirts (culottes) are the news of to-day because they can be worn by simply everybody (size and age are no qualification here).

Summer daze, well, that's the second phase of spring fever and you can't avoid it either.

The solution to the lazy, stretchy, humid, and relaxing feeling that you are getting these days is comfortable clothing smart and possible for relaxation.

When you walk around with your mind all hazy it's time to go and sit in the shade and watch things grow; to stay ever so still and hear the green world sing. How do you do it? By getting your hands in the earth and planting things; by packing your basket and eating with the daisies; by loolling on a deck of a boat in the soft breezes of the Hongkong waters.

Gardening, boating, picnicking. For all three of those heavenly occupations wear culottes.

DIFFERENT

These summer insurance of smartness go everywhere on every-one. You can, too, wear them. Maybe pants are not your best style? Culottes are different. Slacks may not suit for the edge of town or passing through. Then wear culottes. Shorts, that other member of the pant family, are too revealing, and few really wear

them to advantage. Culottes won't be. Shorts aren't your type? Culottes are different.

These bifurcated creations are everywhere. Short, full, neat and comfortable. They have such clever construction that the leg portion is completely concealed even when you take a step. Other tailored culottes have pleated trousers with flares, equal to the best skirts. Silk and wool culottes worn with tailored jackets are the new "sport suit" idea. Circular cut culottes of Norwegian cotton, are practical for beach or garden.

No wonder pantie skirts are the biggest news of the coming summer daze!

SOFT COLOURING

Digging in the weeds and plants with pants! The Norwegian cotton (finely woven sacking and very durable), is fashioned in a three-piece ensemble with short circular pants, flared hip jacket and halter in stripes of soft peasant colouring.

Or, for sailing the many bays, try a dark blue linen pair of tailored culottes worn with a cotton



Tailored navy blue linen culottes better known as "Pantie-Skirts" worn with a contrasting jacket, shirt or blouse is Fashion's caption for summer relaxation.

the city he last lived, his former employer, and insert advertisements in the newspapers where he might be living. Then maybe you could afford a short ten day trip, on your return tell the child's father the circumstances, and if he loves you as much as it appears, he will do all in his power to assist you in clearing your name and marrying you.

Do not become worried, cross-nagging, it will not help the situation; be sweet, clever and try to continue living with this man in the harmonious atmosphere you created during the past.

(Each week in this column FAITH PRIOR answers questions of a personal nature submitted by readers of the "Daily Press.")

jacket, red, white and blue. Setting off the costume and adding your culture problem would be a red and white flannel scarf wrapped about your head, bandeau fashion.

Maybe you can use sharkskin culottes in blue, grey or cyclamen worn with three coloured striped mesh shirt, your pet scarf about your head, for informal Sunday afternoon of leisure.

The combinations for this particular fashion are unlimited and the places where this type of costume is worn to advantage are many during the summer months. But one word of caution—be very sure of the cut and tailoring of this style garment. They must fit, not too tight or too large; if they don't the appearance is anything but smart and clever.



Round The Shops

It has been hot, "Scottish misty," sticky and close, not the climate for shopping tours and many of you ladies do not have the personal call from a smart saleswoman as to what has come, is coming or has gone from the local shops.

Therefore, with our hat on the back of our head and with a slow rolling gait we went shop hunting for the latest offerings and now pass them along.

4" To 42"

Many times every one of us have thanked the discoverer for the article called "zipper." Few garments are without this means of fastening to-day. And they are a gift in hot, sticky weather—just zip and you are open or fastened, no tugging, pulling, popping of nails and wearing out of disposition. Now LANE, CRAWFORD is the only shop in the city carrying zippers from four inches to 42 inches in length and the colours: grey, all blues, pink, brown, green, tan, white, black, yellow and so on.

Quite a few women have been sending out of town for the popular "Huaraches," the sandals that made Mexico famous. Soft and cool and woven from the lightest kid, they are fashioned in smart styles and have amazing stamina, great, therefore, for any sport activities. And you will find them in this specialty shop.

The new-lisle, lastic top, socks in white are finely woven and smart in appearance making the ankle quite trim and neat.

Summer's Toppers

Make a bee-line immediately, to-day, to MAYOS, in the Arcade. New hats have just arrived from America. The small shop is just a bevy of hat styles to express any mood or whim.

If you want to be romantic and alluring try a hat with a sheer chiffon wimple or two streamers hanging from the side. If it is gaily, pull a mood over your curls and skip out the door. If the urge is rakish try a high manipulated crowned sport hat with a sky-reaching feather.

When evening brings ideas of romance wear a circle of three colours of veiling down over your right eye and the veils in bows at the back.

And, of course, the straws are well represented, big and tiny ones, rough and fine ones decorated with ribbon, flowers, veils, jewels or whatever your heart desires.

It's hot, humid and sticky weather here during summer—and every woman pays attention to frocks for such climatic conditions. Fashionable this season is chiffon and fine organza and this is the exact frock and costume for Hongkong.

Aware of the dress problem in the Colony is Rivelle in the Arcade. Here was found a new group of sheer-chiffon dresses in coloured prints with lingerie trimmings, styled with large sleeves and full skirts, very, very comfortable when the temperature and humidity is high. An unusual note in this selection was the size difficulty, there are small and extra large sizes.

The cotton lace dress is another wardrobe item for this country. They are washable and quite "air-conditioned." The colours, create the smartness, such as crushed strawberry, gold, aqua, dark blue, green, tan and beige, and most of them have an accompanying slip.

Another garment item in this shop is the jersey-knit silk blouses, worn equally well with slacks, or suits. These blouse-shirts are plainly tailored with a pointed collar, short sleeves and pockets.

Here again colours is the dash; wines, blues, gold, browns, white, mauve, yellows and greens, the size range varies and the price surprises one with delightful saving.

If you are searching for the unusual in novelty gadget accessories inspect the group here, buckles and clips, hatching, earrings, necklaces, pins, tobs, bracelets, each one a different pattern and combination of jewels and metal.

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BE YOUR AGE

You've seen them often; perhaps they are even your very good friends, nice young girls of about eighteen who, in the very act of trying to beautify themselves, destroy the most beautiful thing they possess, the freshness of their youth. They do the wrong things to themselves. Girls of eighteen do not need the artful dodges by which older women try to keep the illusion of youth.

Making the most of her youth and attractiveness is important to a girl who is looking for a job or earning her living, just as important as it is to Society's most pampered darling. Doubtless, it is even more important. But if there is one thing most debutantes have good sense about, it is capitalizing their school-girl freshness.

If you are blonde, for example, go in for the most clean-scrubbed, healthy glow and a "washed-ironed" freshness of skin and hair. Scrub your face morning and night with soap and water, before using any creams or other preparations.

WARM TONES

Frequently, such types skip the cheeks when powdering the face, leaving them to shine like polished apples. Follow the warm, sunny tones for your face powder and use both rouge and lipstick sparingly. Too much of either drops a curtain over the natural beauty like a drawn window blind. Then there is the matter of the hair. Keep it shimmering and shun tortuous arrangements as you would the devil. Believe it or not, every girl can shampoo her own hair once a week. While it is still wet, comb it back from the brow, pull out the dips at the temple, curl up the e's, and secure it with holly pins until it dries.

For the brunettes, try omitting rouge completely. This makes the skin a more interesting contrast with the dark hair and eyes. A clear ivory powder will enhance the effect. By contrast, your red lips will become more of a focal point than the average person's, so use restraint in applying lipstick.

Powder your lips before you put it on, follow the natural borders of your mouth in a clean outline, and blot off excess with tissues.

CAMOMILE RINSE

Keep your hair polished by daily brushing and try a camomile rinse after your shampoo to bring out highlights. A / ng bob, curled out at the ends and made into a charming topknot with a broadly swirled, flat, comma curl, is a style which lends itself to easy grooming and is invariably flattering to young faces.

There is also a way, of course, of playing up your loveliest feature. If it's eyes, blue as the deep sea, choose collars, clips, hat bands and ribbon hair bows of matching colour.

Then there is the question of figure. Perhaps you want to look more slender than you really are. You can achieve this effect with dark, dull-surfaced fabrics and long, slimming lines. Select clothes which give a tailored impression and have straight up and down lines. Have your dresses fitted well, but easily around your waist and hips. Steer clear of high-waisted dresses with pleated skirts, two-colour ensembles, bias-cut garments and contrasting belts or in a public gathering. Just be you!

GIVE ANSWERS AND—

See If You Are Well Groomed

SINCE "Q'S AND A'S" is the game you readers like—how about trying yourselves out on a beauty quiz?

JUST HOW DO YOU stack up—good, bad or indifferent? If you're a fastidious woman who walks in beauty you'll chalk down a 5 for each question you can answer with a "yes." Put down a 0 for each "no." If "sometimes" is your answer, give yourself 2½.

When you've finished answering the questions, add up the points. The average score will be 60. If yours is over 80, that means so-so good grooming, but it won't make people stop and say, "how well-groomed she is!"

Over 90 and you're notably well-groomed.

100 per cent.—there "ain't no such animal," except perhaps on the stage or in the movies.

Below 60 is a "shame on you" sign.

COME ON ALONG and rate your beauty.

1—Do you cleanse your face EVERY night?

2—Do you reach for fruit instead of whipped cream delights?

3—Is your face powder darker than your skin tones (necessary if you'd avoid unattractive shadows)?

4—Do you pass up the urge to heavily bead your eyelashes?

5—Are you a sitter-straight, waiter-erect—a scorn of the slouch?

6—Do you ALWAYS use nourishing cream around your eyes at night—staving off those crow's feet?

7—Do your rouge and lipstick match—same shade, same brand?

8—Does your neck get its share of powder?

9—Daily use a fresh powder puff?

10—Do you use a deodorant and change or wash your dress shields daily?

11—Is an antiseptic, deodorizing mouth wash used at least twice daily?

12—Is an orange stick used LIGHTLY to cleanse under your nails?

13—Are your hair and teeth brushed "the daily way?"

14—Is perfume applied directly on the body, NOT on clothes?

15—Is wave-setting liquid allowed to dry THOROUGHLY before taking out the combs or curlers?

16—Do you know when and how to use mascara—never for sports and streetwear—cleverly for evening?

17—Do you keep your eyebrows plucked by checking up on them every two or three days; and taking out the strays when they first make their appearance?

18—Do you shampoo your hair weekly?

19—Is it waved—coiffured weekly or do you let it go?

20—Do you keep your nails manicured nicely and the polish either all ON or all OFF?

other lines which break your figure at any point.

Then last but just as important, be your natural self, don't try to copy your mother, grown-up sister, favourite movie actress or some stranger who took your attention

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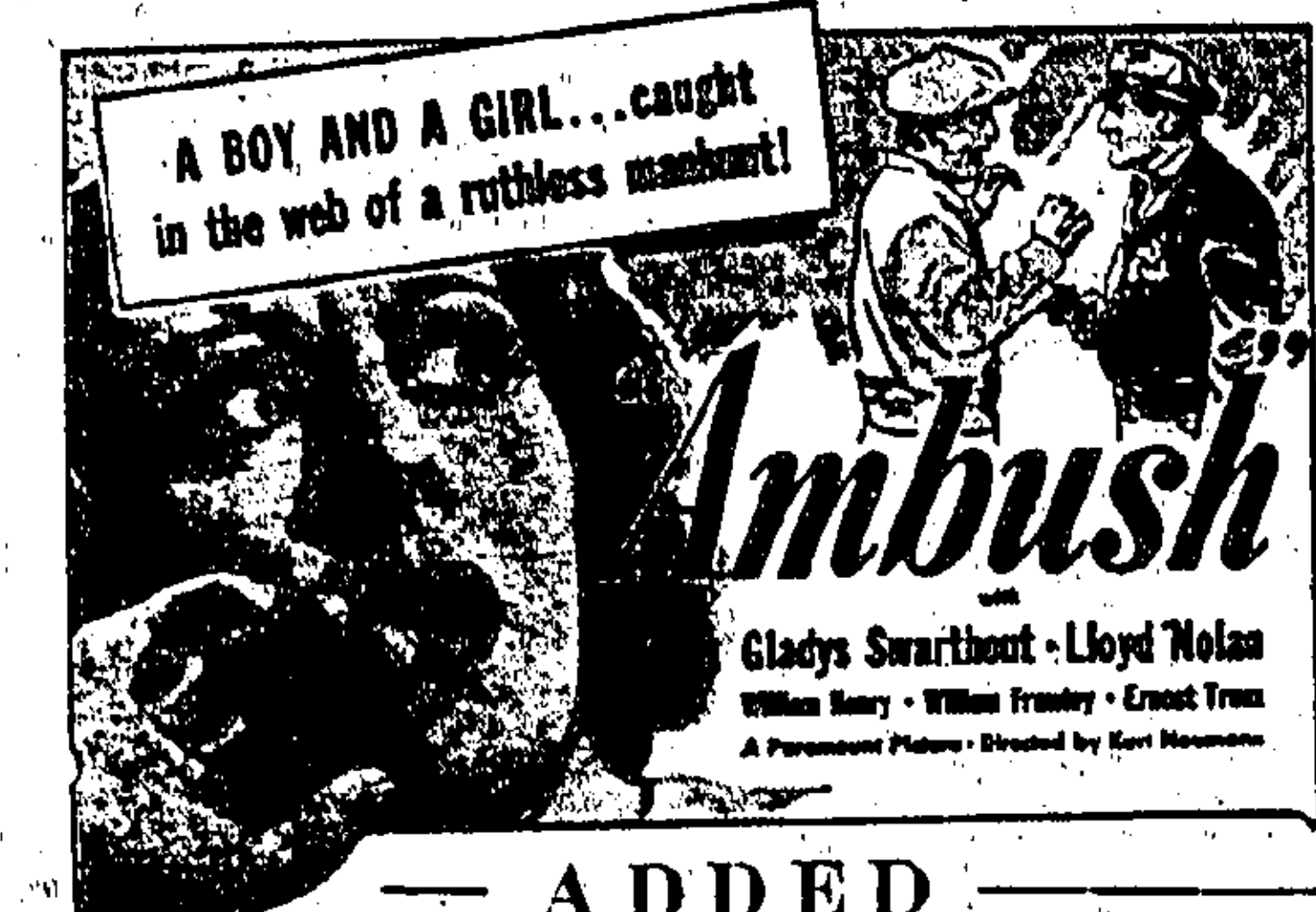
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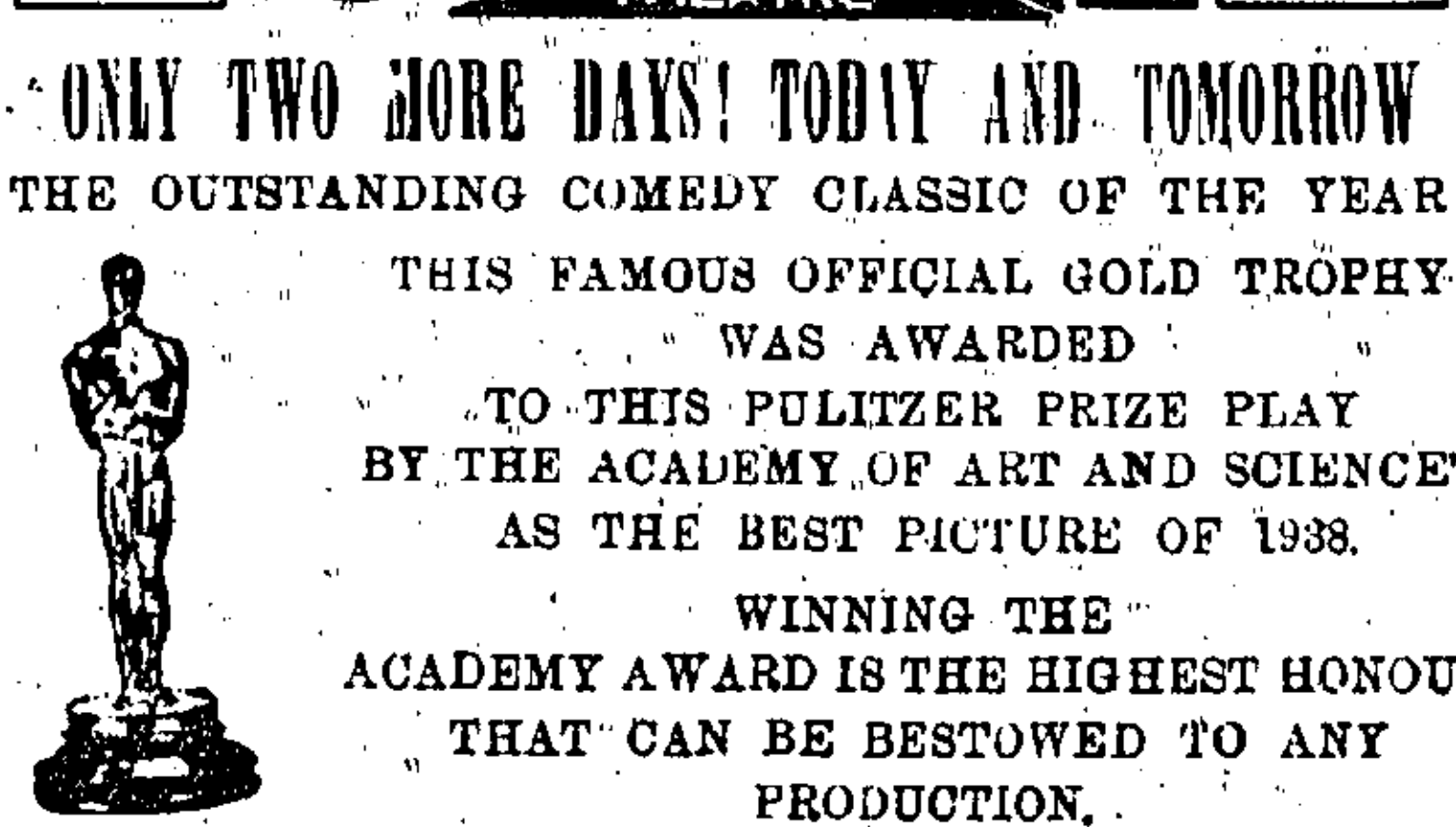
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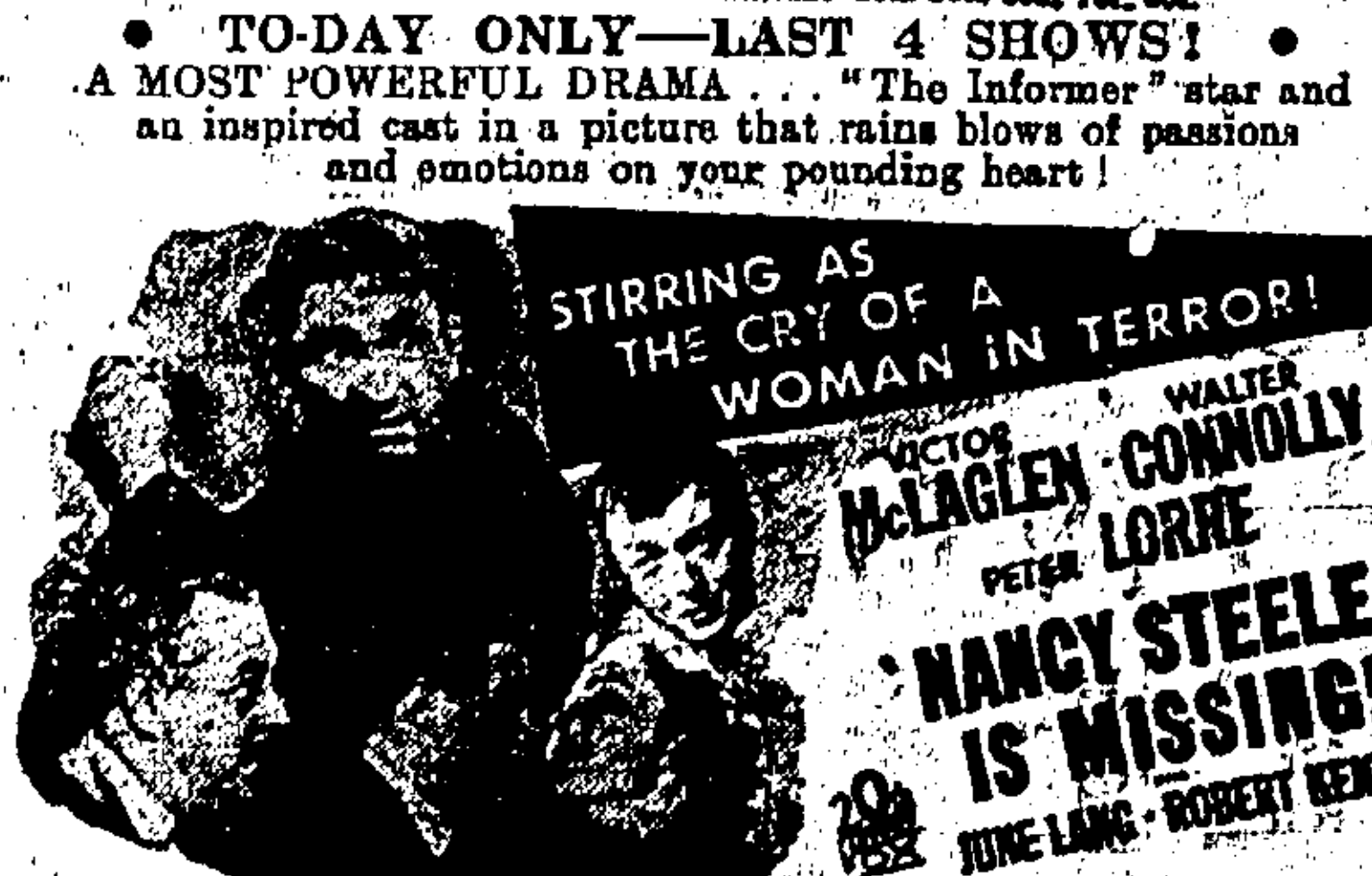
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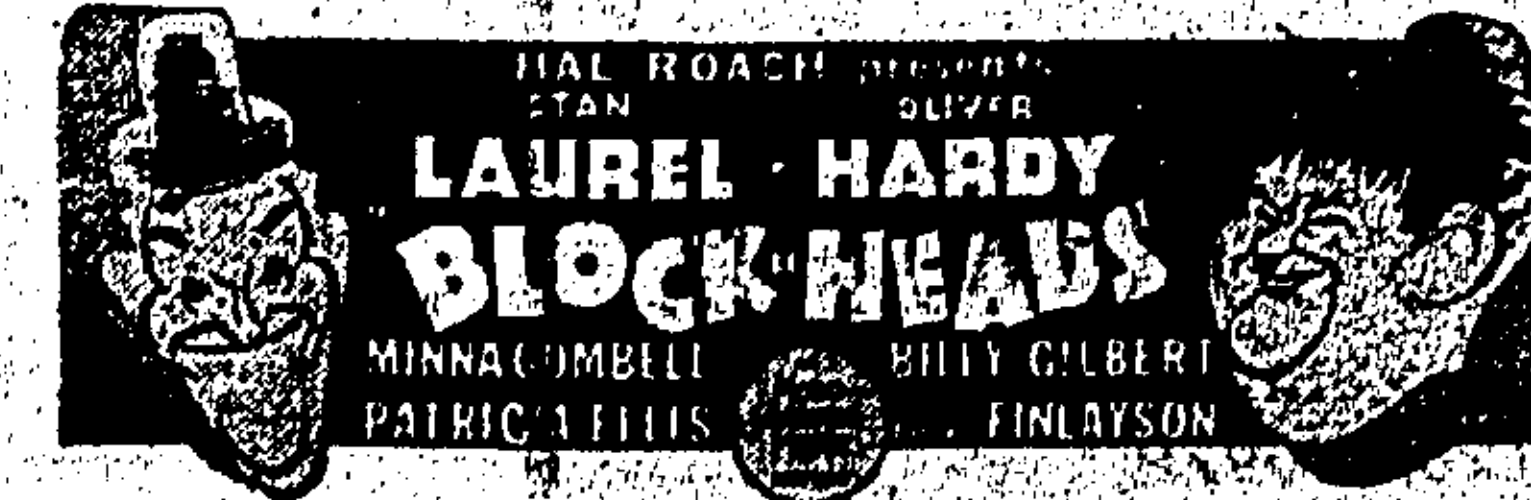
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Jean Arthur, John Barrymore, James Stewart and Edward Arnold in Columbia's best picture of 1938 "You Can't Take It With You" showing at the Oriental Theatre, to-day and to-morrow. Famous Pulitzer Prize Play, Winner of 1938 Gold Trophy!

Today's Screenings

Hongkong

KING'S: "Hold That Kiss"
QUEEN'S: "Ambush"
ORIENTAL: "You Can't Take It With You"
CATHAY: "Nancy Steele is Missing"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA: "Ambush"
STAR: "Waikiki Wedding"
MAJESTIC: "Stablemates"

Coming

KING'S: "We're Going To Be Rich"
QUEEN'S: "One Third Of A Nation"
ORIENTAL: "Artists and Models Abroad"
CATHAY: "Black-Head"
ALHAMBRA: "One Third Of A Nation"
STAR: "A Family Affair"
MAJESTIC: "Three Blind Mice"

PAUL MUNI SURPASSED

It is a rare occasion in Hollywood when any actor surpasses Paul Muni in theatrical brilliance but that unusual honour must go to Brian Aherne as the emperor Maximilian in "Juarez."

Not only does Aherne surpass Muni, but he also eclipses the usually outstanding Bette Davis who is his empress, Carlota. Miss Davis has a rather brief role and in only one scene—where she loses her mind worrying over the fate of her husband and of Mexico—does she dominate the picture.

Few will deny that Muni is a great actor but in the role of Juarez, the Mexican liberator, he made an unfortunate choice of a part that gives him little chance for anything but repressed, unemotional acting.

EMOTIONAL DISPLAY

In a role requiring an emotional display of scientific or dramatic eagerness, fire, passion he is unbeatable. Despite this criticism, it must be said that few actors could have handled Juarez as well as Muni.

In its desire to present the true historical picture, the studio tries to cover too much ground and actually the film has two separate stories, that of Juarez and the tragic tale of Maximilian and Carlota. Either would have been sufficient for a full movie but both are too much.

SUPPORTING CAST

The supporting cast is one of the best ever assembled for a picture, including John Garfield as Porfirio Diaz, Claude Rains as Louis Napoleon, Gale Sondergaard as the Empress Eugenie, Donald Crisp as Marshal Dazaine and dozens of other "name" players.

"Juarez" presents the Mexican people and their struggle for liberty in a sympathetic light that should win high praise in that country.

STAN LAUREL GETS DIVORCE

LOS ANGELES, May 18 (Reuter).—The film comedian, Stan Laurel, was divorced from his third wife, the Russian singer, Vera Hleana, yesterday.

Laurel cited numerous occasions on which his wife had left home and became intoxicated. This, he said, interfered with his work.

Martha Raye Travels Incognito

Hollywood's well-known masquerading device—coloured glasses, worn by actresses who wish to travel incognito—was supplemented with a battered automobile by Martha Raye.

Martha and her stand-in, Jeanette Ruby, purchased a 1927 model Chevrolet and are having it painted red for use around Hollywood. Autograph hunters won't suspect the star, who usually rides in a town car, of riding, let alone driving, such an ancient jalopy, Martha hopes.

Since she is allowed to drive her larger and attention-attracting limousine into the Paramount grounds where she is working on "Give Me a Sailor," Martha hasn't yet been seen in the informal bus.

NEW WALT DISNEY SHORT

Walt Disney has a new short coming out soon which will introduce in a major role, Tootsie, The Penguin.

Tootsie had a "bit" part once before but now he is a feature player. The short is called "Donald's Penguin" and stars Donald Duck and Tootsie.

Quaint, nonchalant, utterly indifferent, Tootsie is a perfect foil for Donald's frenzied ravings. He waddles serenely along in his frock-coated white vest and his wide innocent eyes belie the clever fellow behind them.

He not only gets what he wants but makes Donald like it and the doing will give audiences plenty to laugh at and with.

SHIRLEY IN TECHNICOLOR FILM

20th Century-Fox announced that Shirley Temple is to do another technicolor picture. It is to be the famous Maurice Maeterlinck story "The Bluebird."

Published at the beginning of the century, this play has been translated into every language and the play has been presented in every country in the civilized world.

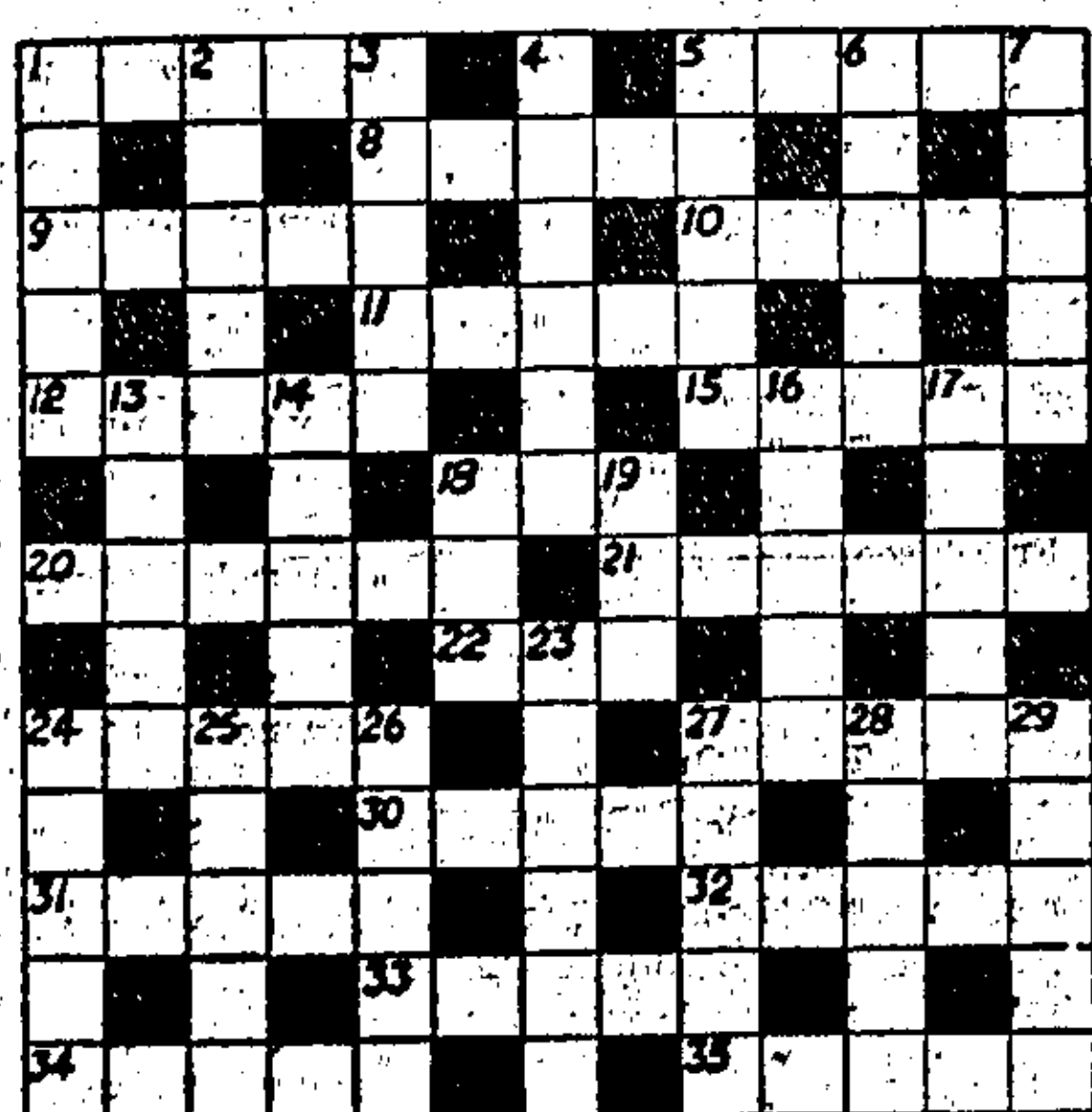
It should prove popular for Shirley. Production will start sometime in the fall.

Next on her list is "Lady Jane"

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 - 25 Monster (5)
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 - 27 Weeps (5)
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SOLUTION TO-MORROW

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A THIN MAN

In describing a thin man Basil Rathbone told a story on himself which is worth repeating.

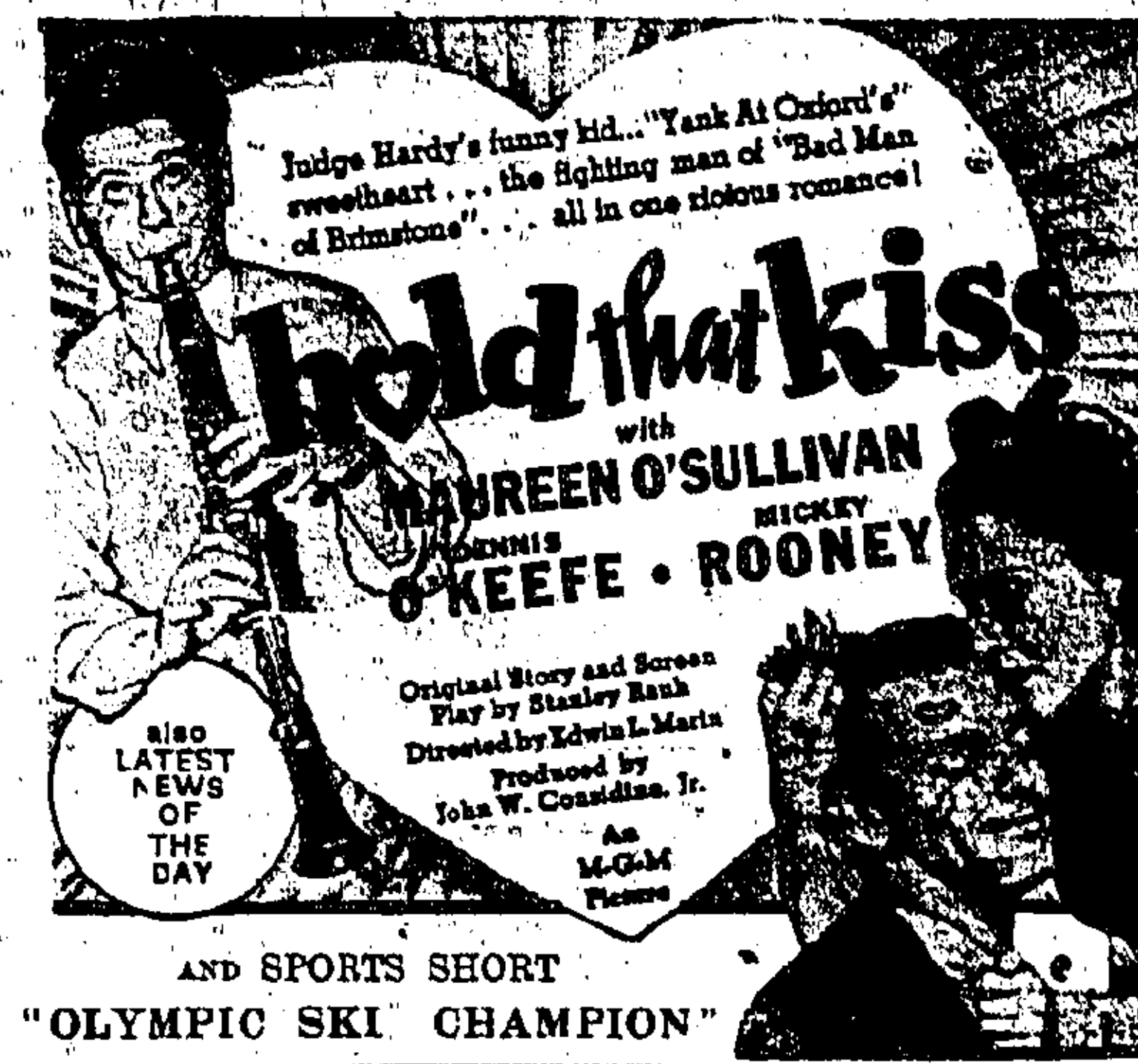
Some years back when he was appearing opposite Mrs. Patrick Campbell in "George and Joan," in London, a friend asked Mrs. Campbell about her leading man.

"Oh," exclaimed the actress, "Basil is the most extraordinary young man—he looks like two profiles stuck together."

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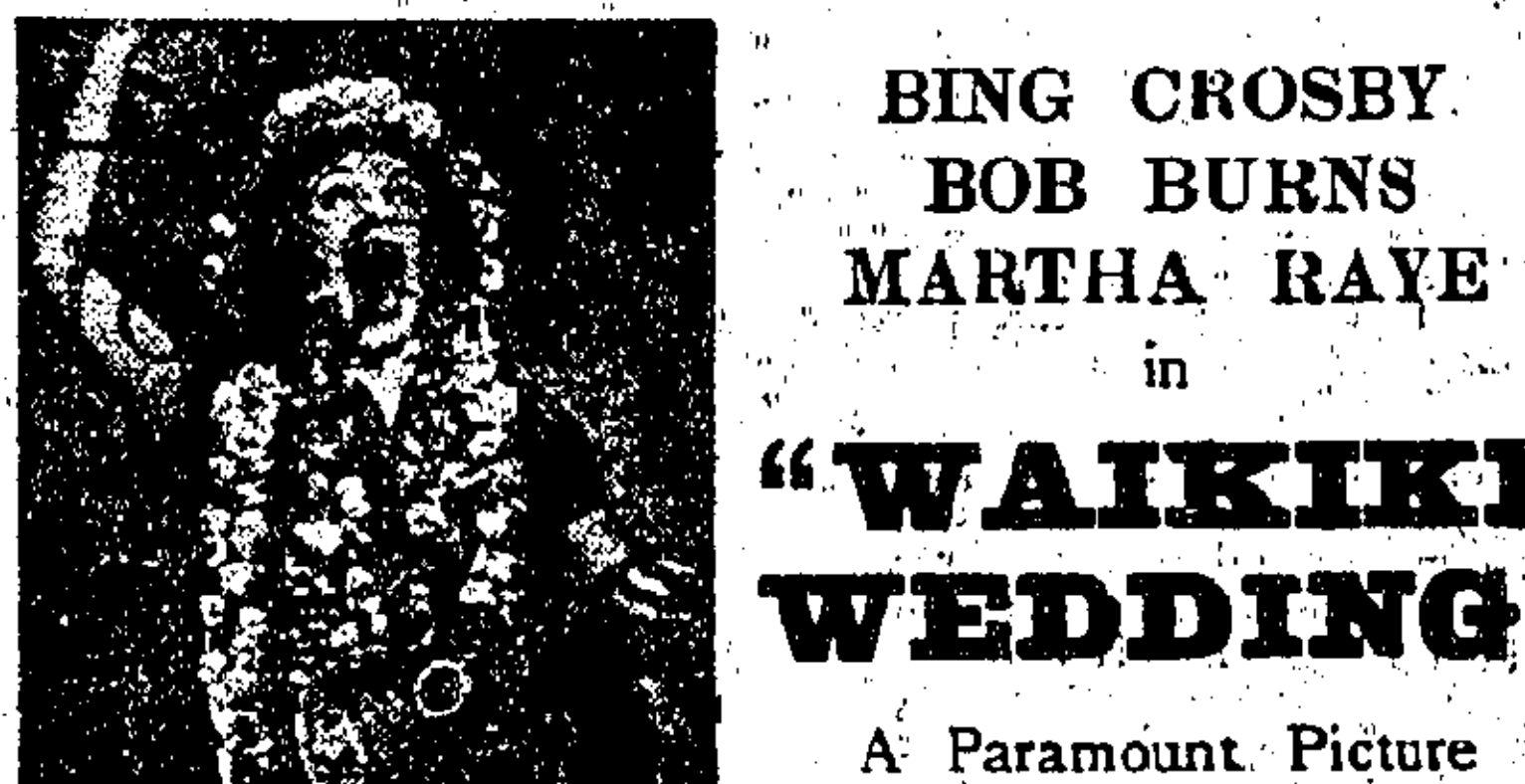
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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY
 ANNIVERSARIES AND HOLIDAYS
 —St. Peter Celestine, Pope, St. Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury.
 AUCTIONS: — Household Furniture, at 2 Connaught Road Central, Ground Floor, 2.30 p.m.
 CINEMAS:—(See Column 3 of this Page).
 DANCES: — Semi-finals of the "Garden of the Moon" Dance Contest at Hongkong Hotel.
 MEETINGS:—St. Andrew's Church, Full Choir Practice, 8.30 p.m.
 SOCIAL:—Whist Drive and Tombola in R.E. "W's and Serg's" Mess, Wellington Barracks, 9.15 p.m.
 SPORTS:—(See Page 2)
 SUNRISE:—5.42 a.m. SUNSET:—6.57 p.m.
 TIDES:—High at 08.06 and 21.30. Low at 02.01 and 15.17.

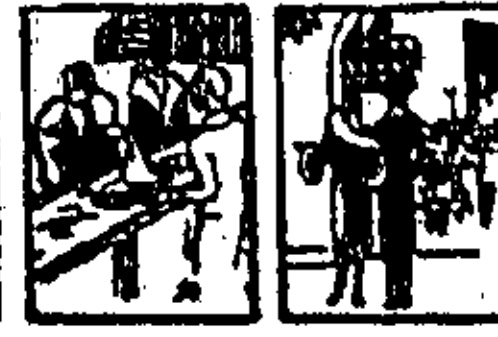
STUDIO SKETCH



A 30-minute sketch made in a local studio by George Arnold.



WOMEN'S PAGE



NEWSETTES

Congratulations to Mr. William Shaw on the occasion of his birthday to-day.

Major H. H. M. Oliver, M.C., R.A., left for Vancouver on the s.s. Talthyrbies yesterday.

Dr. Cheak Keng-seng, of the Medical Department, celebrates his birthday to-day.

Mr. Wong Man-cheng, one of Shanghai's leading tennis players, is soon to pay a visit to Hongkong.

An Empire Day Service for school children will be held in the Cathedral on Wednesday next, May 24, at 9 a.m.

Mr. Ching Ka-piao, of the Eastern Football Team, is to leave for Shanghai at once on account of the death of his mother.

Former members of Chocolate House, Central British School, will hold a reunion dinner at the school at 8 p.m. on May 26.

Capt. Frederick W. Hein, of the U. S. Army, is a passenger on board the President Pierce. He is on his way to Kobe from Manila.

Mr. K. Karthigasu, of Alor Gajah Estate, Malacca, and Miss Thankamma Sinnathambi, of Pt. Pedro, Ceylon, were married recently in Ceylon.

Mr. Clarence Hugh Palmer, Superintendent of the Manila Electric Co., passed through Hongkong on the President Pierce on his way to San Francisco.

Mr. Oliver Shaw, Foreign Sales Manager of Mennin Co., dealers in toilet goods, passed through Hongkong yesterday on the President Pierce.

Mr. T. H. Eckerson, a representative of Messrs. Ely Lilly and Co., passed through Hongkong yesterday on the President Pierce. He is bound for Shanghai from Manila.

Lieut. Murray Clark, of the United States Army, accompanied by Mrs. Clark and three children, were passengers on the President Pierce.

The speaker at the Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday will be Prof. R. Robertson, of the Hongkong University. His subject will be "The State: Modern Experiments."

Mr. William Lloyd who has been connected with dramatic production for the Australian Broadcasting Co., in Melbourne, passed through Colombo recently, on way to London to join the B.B.C.

"A Hymn of Praise" for singing in English to the music of the original Chinese air, "Chi Lo Yin" has been published by the Paul M. Hinkhouse Press, 245, Hudson Street, New York.

Mr. Felicissimo Ampon and Mr. A. Sanchez, members of the Philippine Davis Cup team, passed through Hongkong yesterday on the President Pierce. They are en route to San Francisco.

Mrs. T. Hamowy and her two children are passengers on board the President Pierce bound for San Francisco. Mrs. Hamowy is the wife of the Manager of Shalom and Co., Manila.

Mr. F. J. True, Oriental representative of the Du Pont Co., accompanied by Mrs. True and three children, passed through Hongkong yesterday on the President Pierce, on their way to San Francisco.

The American Bureau for Medical Aid to China has recently received urgent appeals from both the National Health Administration of China and the Chinese Red Cross for 8,000,000 tablets of quinine.

Mrs. Vic Hugo, "unofficial Mayor of Wanchai," is walking about with her right arm in a sling. Asked what caused the mishap, Vic Hugo, the "unofficial Mayor," said "she tried to do a trapeze act without a net!"

Mr. C. G. C. Kerr, nominated member of the Colombo Municipal Council, has resigned his membership of the Council. Mr. Kerr, who is a partner of George Stewart and Co., has left for England on leave.

"The 400,000,000," latest screen documentary of China's struggle for freedom, produced and filmed by Joris Ivens and John Ferns, has been completed and shown for two weeks at the Cameo Theatre in New York. It is an eloquent story of China's resistance and the will to fight to the bitter end.

WEDDING AT REGISTRY

The wedding of Mr. Ho Ka-ming, merchant, of No. 13 College View, and Miss Ho Fan-lai, took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday. Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated, and the witnesses were Mr. K. L. Ho and Mrs. Lam Ching-shing.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. Ng Show-lung, clerk of the China Vegetable Oil Corporation, residing at No. 76 Village Road, first floor, and Miss Auyang Nyui Zoh, of No. 15 Caroline Hill Road, ground floor.

The second of the meetings in connexion with the coming bazaar will be held on Wednesday next, May 21, at 8.30 p.m., in the Cathedral Hall. All interested are invited to attend.

The wedding took place at St. Peter's Church, Singapore, recently of Mr. Chen Bing-nian, second son of Madam Chen Wong-kiang, a dresser attached to the Bencoolen Street Clinic, and Miss Dang Ong-ling, a nurse attached to St. Andrew's Orthopaedic Hospital.

Danny Malone, the celebrated Irish tenor who is on his way home to England after a successful sixteen-months' tour of Australia and New Zealand, passed through Colombo recently. He will tour America and towards the end of next year go to Africa.

The death occurred recently from an attack of cholera, of Mr. John Foulds, Director of European programmes, Calcutta Station of the all-India Radio. He came to India four years ago and devoted his attention to the finding of a synthesis of Indian and European music.

Mr. Tony Freeman, who was an exchange student, 1934-35, from Pomona College, Claremont, California, to Lingnan University, Canton, is now in the United States Consular Service and was recently appointed to the post of U. S. Vice-Consul to Mexico City, Mexico.

The Rev. Y. S. Tom and his family left for the United States yesterday in the President Pierce. Mr. Tom was formerly minister of the Congregational Church in Canton and General Secretary of the Church of Christ in China, Canton branch.

Mr. Lei Ying-am, President of the Lingnan University, left for the United States yesterday on the President Pierce to receive the honorary degree conferred upon him by the Oberlin College there. After receiving the degree, he will tour America to study the education there, returning to Hongkong some time in the middle of August.

Father V. Lebbe, naturalised Chinese citizen of Belgian birth, now Commander of the North China Field Service Corps, has left for Chungking by plane to seek instructions on future work of the Corps from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. Father Lebbe was formerly the Managing-Director of the "Yin Shin Pao," a newspaper in Tientsin.

His Excellency the Governor will attend the service at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Sunday morning when he will read the lesson. After the service, His Excellency will meet the members of the Council and Officers of the Church. The Central British School Girl Guides, St. Andrew's Rover Scout Crew and Boy Scout Troop will form a Guard-of-Honour. The service will be broadcast.

Mr. George A. Fitch, writing from Chungking, whose spirit he says is "unbeatable," asks: "Is America going to continue her partnership with Japan? I pray God, No! I hope every friend of China in America has written his Senators and Representatives letting them know where he stands and that organizations are continuing to send resolutions to the President and the State Department. I was convinced from my visits to Washington that we could get no action until we let our voices be heard in sufficient numbers. The present situation is intolerable to all true patriots. America is in grave danger of losing its soul in its misdirected desire to be neutral. And what shall it profit a nation if it saves its life and loses its soul!"

FRIDAY'S MENU

BREAKFAST

Stewed Prunes
Cereal
Scrambled Eggs
Pan Cakes
Coffee

LUNCHEON

Tuna Salad
Cheese Biscuits
Vegetable Plate
Devilled Eggs
Danish Pastry
Iced Tea

DINNER

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Lemon Cream Pie
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All you have to do to secure a subscription for the "Hongkong Daily Press" for a minimum period of six months from a relative or friend. For the first thirty subscriptions received, each successful contestant will receive 20 per cent. of the whatever subscriptions he secures as commission and a free ticket to the best seat in the Queen's or Alhambra Theatres to see "SWEETHEARTS," with Jeanette MacDonald, crowned recently Queen of the serenade in an important national newspaper poll in the United States. After the first thirty subscriptions are received, we will only pay the commission, send your subscriptions in early to get the free cinema ticket as well.

Each contestant can submit as many subscriptions as secured and qualify for the commission and cinema tickets.

In all, there will be four competitions of this kind, each lasting one week. For each, similar prizes will be given (except that the picture for which the free cinema ticket is presented will vary), but, at the end of the fourth competition, the "Hongkong Daily Press" will, in addition to the prizes and commissions earned, offer a special prize of \$20.00 to the competitor who has brought in the largest number of new subscribers—so long as the number is not less than twenty.

This is the second contest of the series and will remain in force until 12 noon on Thursday, May 25.

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Investiture At Government House Yesterday

A BRILLIANT GATHERING, COMPRISING ALL SECTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY, was present at Government House yesterday morning to witness the investiture of three local gentlemen with the insignia of Orders recently granted them by His Majesty the King in recognition of services rendered to the Empire.

The recipients were:—Mr. Maurice Frederick Key, J.P., who was made an Officer of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, and Mr. George William Coysch and Mr. Sung Teng-man, who each received the Medal of the Imperial Service Order. The ceremony took place in the Ball Room at Government House.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, took his place on the dais, the positions behind him being taken up by the Honorary Naval Aide-de-Camp (Lt. Comdr. R. R. Helbert), Military Aide-de-Camp (Lt. R. W. C. Smiles), and Air Aide-de-Camp (Flight-Lt. N. W. Wright). The Honorary Naval Aide-de-Camp (Lt. Comdr. R. R. Helbert), Military Aide-de-Camp (Lt. R. W. C. Smiles), and Air Aide-de-Camp (Flight-Lt. N. W. Wright) also attended the Governor.

The recipients were announced by Mr. K. A. Bidmead, Assistant Superintendent of Police. The warrant conferring the honour on Mr. Key was read by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl Macgregor.

MR. M. F. KEY, O.B.E.
Addressing Mr. Key, His Excellency said:

By the Command of the King, conveyed to me by his Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, I am about to present to you the insignia of an Officer in the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

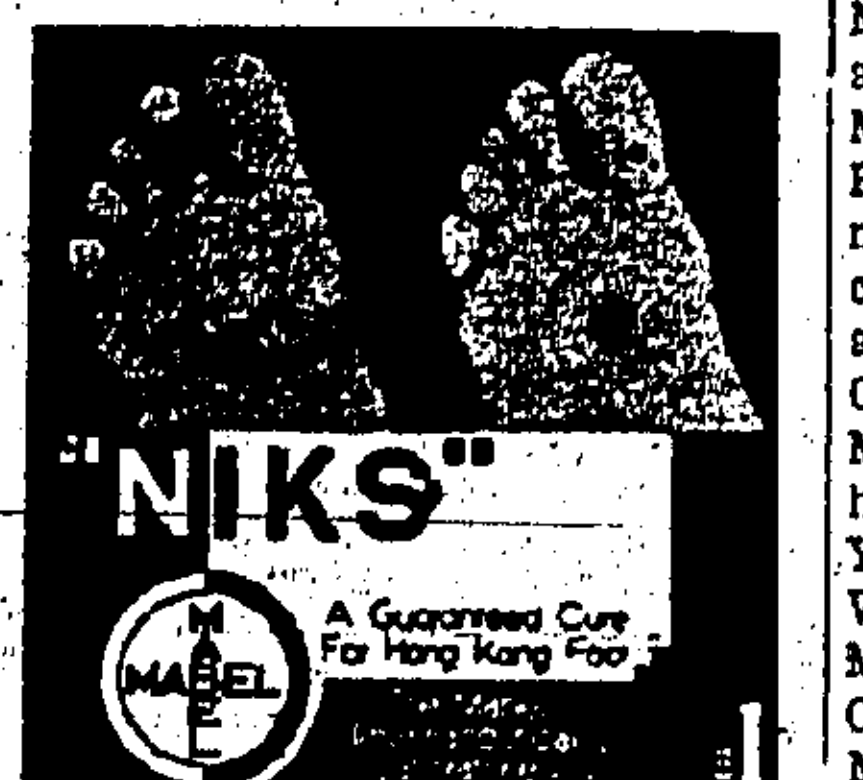
It is, of course, principally by your services to the Colony as Secretary of the General Chamber of Commerce that you have earned this token of His Majesty's recognition. In that capacity you have shown that you possess vision, technical knowledge and sound common-sense.

This Colony, depending as it does almost entirely upon its trade, owes much to men who achieve a detached point of view and whose advice is given with clarity and sincerity. As you cannot fail to be aware, there is widespread appreciation, both within and without the Chamber, that those qualities markedly characterize your work as the Chamber's right hand man.

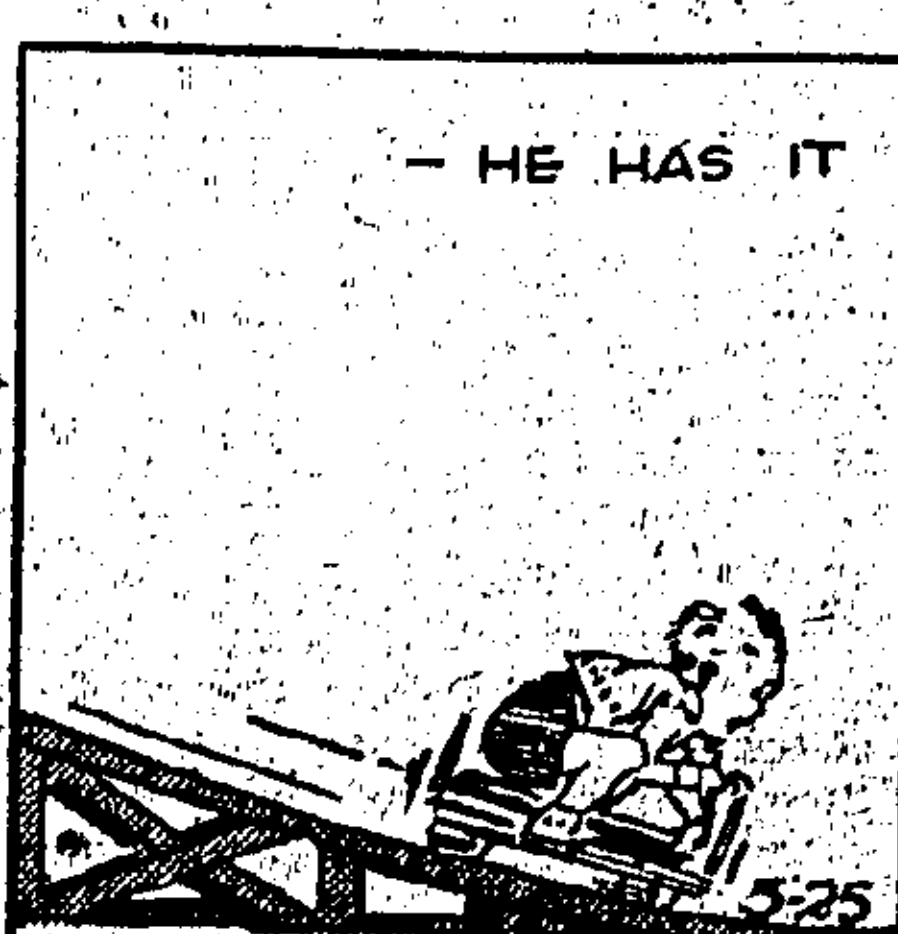
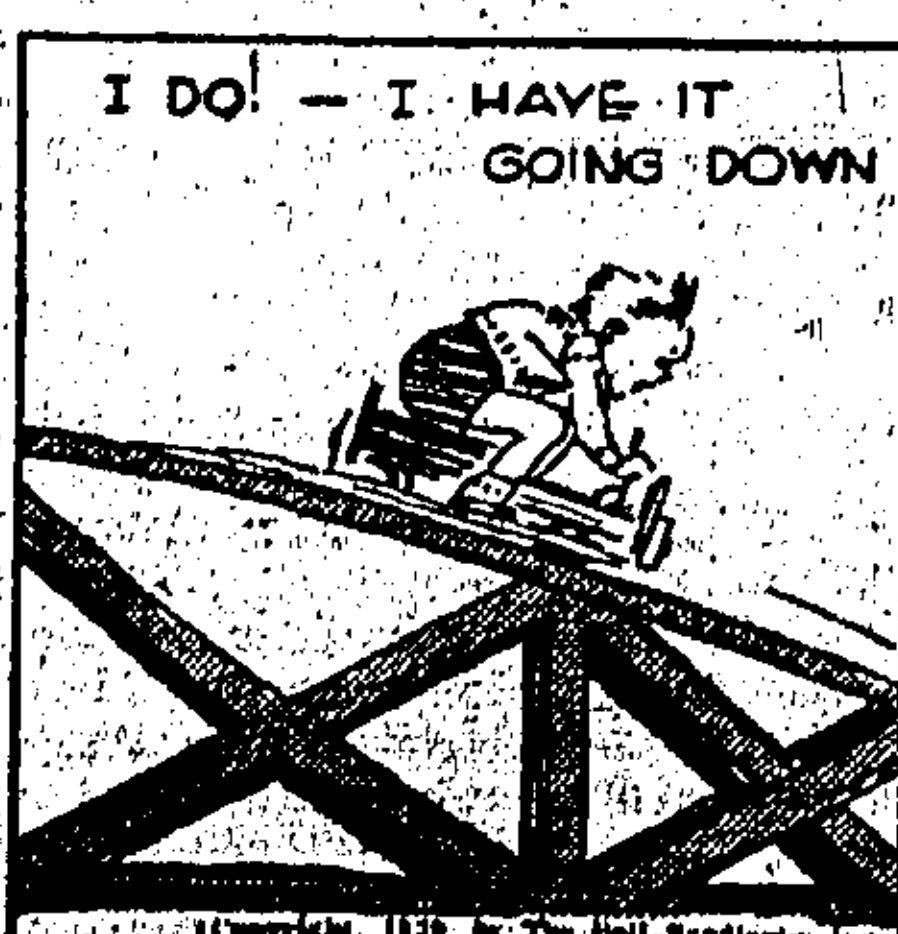
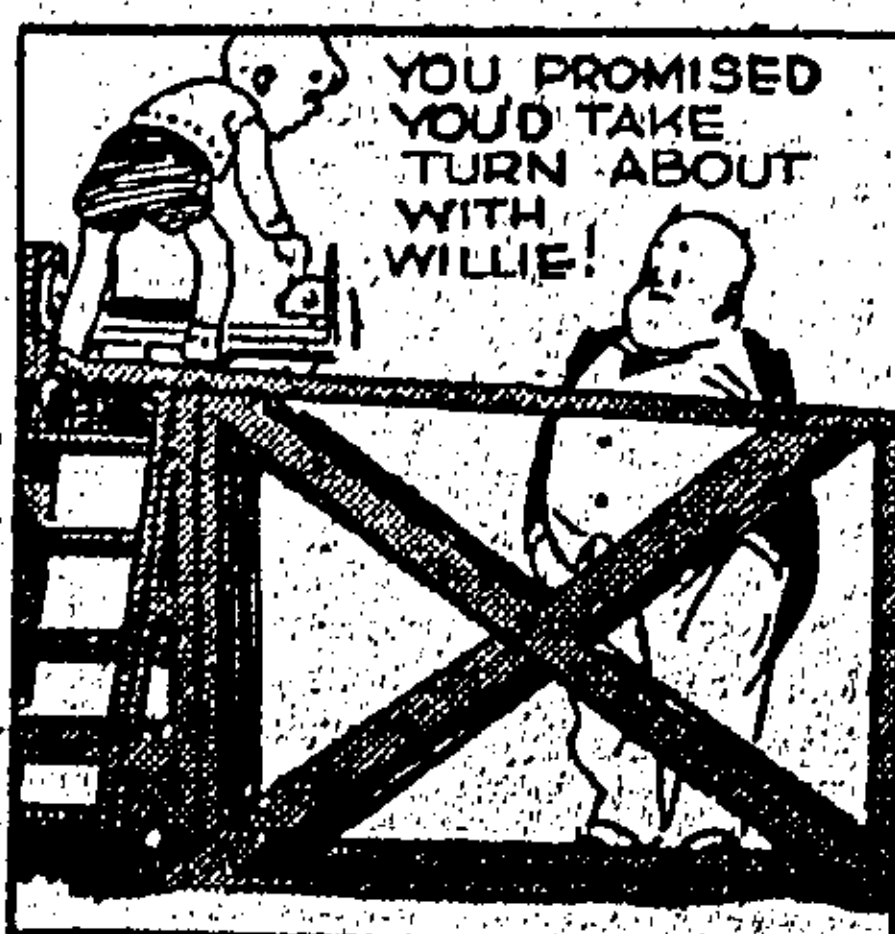


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INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER

Kowloon Inquest Verdict

MAN ELECTROCUTED

A verdict of involuntary manslaughter was returned at the Kowloon Court yesterday when an inquiry was held into the death of an unknown Chinese, who was electrocuted when his hand came into contact with a live wire in the backyard of 13, Argyle Street, ground floor about 4.20 a.m. on April 16.

Lo Kau, the tenant, gave evidence that the wires had been set up as a protection against burglars by his sub-tenant, Lo Kwel, who was not now in the Colony. Lo Kwel, who had been master of the shop on the ground floor, had suffered very much from burglaries, and had asked Lo Kau for permission to set up the wires through which current would be run from night-fall to 5 a.m.

Lo Kau stated that he had tried the wire himself, but had experienced only a slight shock. Mr. A. Spary, of the Electrical Dept. P.W.D., stated that, in his opinion, deceased had climbed over the wall into the backyard when he came in contact with the wire.

Dr. H. H. Tai, of the Kowloon Public Mortuary, stated death was due to electrical shock, deceased having touched the wire with his right hand. Evidence was given also by Sub-Inspector T. K. Whelan, of the Police.

Mr. E. Himsforth sat as Coroner, and he was assisted by a jury comprising Messrs. E. Taverner (foreman), M. F. de Pinna and Tsui Wo-mong.

10,000 CHINESE CHARACTERS: NEW CODE BOOK

Ten-thousand Chinese characters, scientifically arranged on a single sheet, 43" by 31", printed with 4-figure codes according to the standard Ministry of Communications' plain telegraph book, in red and black ink, is the feature of the latest edition published by Mam Mam Code Co. of Hongkong. It saves the labour of finding the pages in locating a character, and both hands are free to write or typewrite, with eyes only on the chart for the code or the characters. Time for coding or decoding is thus reduced.

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REFUGEE SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN

The following is a list of donations received by the Hongkong Emergency Refugee Council for the Refugee Schools Campaign:—
St. Joseph's College \$103.20; Munang College \$100; Madame H. H. Kung \$100; Miss Amy Lu \$100; St. Paul's Girls' College \$100; P. Buerger, Mr. T. G. A. Strangman, Mr. R. H. Larcher, Mr. Mon-chen, Mr. R. H. Larcher, Mr. Frost and child, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Loo, Capt. Lambie, Mr. M. H. I. Durst, Mr. and Mrs. Rother, Mr. Lee Tien-hua, Mr. Tcheng Yang-ki, Mr. Li Yuk-nam, Mr. C. D. Loh, Mr. Ng Wai-kan, Mr. Lang, Mr. C. H. Liu, Mr. Chu Yung-ho, Mr. Ho, Mr. Cheung Chung-shing, Mr. and Mrs. Lee.

THREE DEATHS OF PRISONERS

Two Verdicts Given: One Adjourned

Circumstances surrounding the deaths of three prisoners at the Hongkong Prison formed the subject of inquiry held at the Central Court yesterday.

Verdicts of death by natural causes were returned in two, while the third was adjourned until next Thursday when further witnesses will be called.

A prisoner, Fung Kam, aged 54, died a few hours prior to his release. He was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour on April 24. His condition was described as fair by Dr. G. Ingram Shaw, medical officer in charge of the Prison.

The cause of death was tuberculosis and heart disease.

Mr. Edwards (Coroner) adjourned the hearing for a week, remarking that further evidence would have to be called to clear some points.

The second inquest concerned the death of Chan Fung, who died at the Prison Hospital on May 6. Fung was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour on November 23. His condition was described as very poor, suffering from chronic tuberculosis and he was an opium addict. He was suffering from dysentery just before his death.

DIED IN CELL

The third inquiry concerned Chan Hing, aged 42, who was sentenced to three months' hard labour on April 14 and who died in his cell on May 8.

Cheung Kam-chuen, prisoner who was in the same cell with the deceased, said that shortly after 4 p.m. deceased was having his meal. Mid-way through, deceased lay down and complained of having a choking feeling.

Cheung pressed the bell, and an Indian warder came along, took a look at the cell and went away. About 15 minutes later he pressed the bell again and the same officer came and told the inmates to wait. A short while after deceased lay on the floor and died.

Corroborative evidence was given by Tsang King-chung, another of deceased's cell mate.

Indian warder No. 213 told the Court that he visited the cell on two occasions. He made a report to the European officer on duty, and had gone on his rounds. About 6.15 p.m. the European officer came back and together they visited the cell, but deceased had already died.

Dr. Shaw said deceased was suffering from acute heart fits, which explained the deceased's state of collapse.

D.W. BOUND OVER: ORDERED TO PAY COMPENSATION

District Watchman Lui Chong was found guilty on a summons for assault and was ordered to sign a bond to be of good behaviour by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday. Complainant was Tam Yun-sang, travelling trader, who was represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

Tam alleged that Lui struck him when he refused to be searched in the street until Lui had produced his identification card.

At the hearing yesterday, Tseng Sau, cobbler, and Leung Fat-cheung, both independent witnesses, testified that they had seen Tam assaulted by Lui.

In the witness-box Lui denied the assault.

Convicting defendant, Mr. Forrest remarked that he regarded this case of abuse of power seriously. The special power granted by the law to the police must be confined specifically. In view of the fact that defendant's salary was small, he would only order him to be bound over and to pay compensation of \$50 to the complainant.

FUNERAL OF MRS. A. PERES

Death After Short Illness

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday of Mrs. Anacleto Peres (Eta), daughter of Mr. J. R. Castilho, who died at St. Paul's Hospital yesterday after a short illness. The Rev. Fr. Rosal officiated at the graveside.

The chief mourners at the funeral were deceased's father, Mr. J. R. Castilho, brothers, Messrs. P. Q. and Z. Castilho and three sisters.

A large gathering of friends were present, including Messrs. A. Marcal, D. Lopes, E. Mauricio, Dalgado, J. Abraham, J. Remedios, E. J. Figueiredo, L. M. Remedios, S. Leonard, L. G. Remedios, M. Baptista, J. Gutierrez, E. E. Silva, G. Brown, E. Brown, Miss Santos and many others.

A wreath from "your loving son Rene" was interred with the casket. Other floral tributes were sent by Ma and Marie, Your loving Dad, Bonnie, Florio, Tino, Cynthia and Tito, Beba, Johnnie and Eddie, Celeste and Peter, Edna M. Kennedy, Leo D'Almada e Castro Snr., K. Lam, Amy Young, Arita and Esperance Kout, Mrs. M. S. Rosario and family, Mrs. C. Leonard and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rocha, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. G. Hirst, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Edwards and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Rocha and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Triggs, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Millington and family, Robertson Wilson Co., Ltd., Hongkong Telephone Co., Ladler's Staff.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 22nd day of May, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kau Pui Shek, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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1	146	Adjoining Kowloon Road Lot No. 9894, Ring Road, Kau Pui Shek.	110 ft. x 110 ft.	12,100	1,000	1,000
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WAR FINANCE

NUMEROUS REASONS have been advanced as to why Japan should be finding a lack of enthusiasm among different classes of her people in responding to the invitation of Hitler, Mussolini & Co. to bind herself more closely to the European Axis. It is a well known fact that Tokyo is tied up with the totalitarian states in spite of the fact that the arrangements have not been publicly disclosed, but the main reason why she has not shown more enthusiasm is her financial position.

THOUGH FINANCE is not a final deterrent to a State, Japan is in a condition of peculiar strain. Her Budget figures are by no means easy to disentangle but a valiant effort has been made in this connection by a Tokyo monthly journal, the "Oriental Economist," with interesting results. The 1937-38 Japanese Budget was for £292,000,000; in 1937-38 expenditure soared to £469,000,000, of which war expenditure took not less than 76 per cent. This year, the sum of £517,700,000 is budgeted for, and of this the staggering sum of £373,300,000 is for military expenditure. The Budget represents about one-third of the national income.

EIGHT YEARS AGO, when the Japanese militarists began their Manchurian adventure, Japan had a Budget of £113,700,000, of which about 30 per cent. went on her defence forces. This proportion is now more than three-quarters; a great part of the remainder is, of course, properly defence expenditure also. We may compare the British Budget, of which this year, defence is to take half of a total, which, though enormous, is still proportionately to our resources much less than Japan's.

DURING 1938, the Japanese Government issued obligations of every description aggregating ¥4,330,000,000, and of these China Incident Bonds were responsible for ¥3,600,000,000. Though Tokyo is exerting all efforts to put on a brave showing, actual facts prove that she is sailing through exceptionally rough waters and it is difficult to visualize her weathering the storm successfully.

JAPANESE TAXATION is on the up-grade, but what is giving alarm is the immense increase in her indebtedness. Nearly all the "China Incident" expenditure is being raised from loans—£330,000,000 this year and a little less last year. The National Debt is eight times what it was in 1919 after the Great War. Japanese State finance has been marked by lavish borrowing for years, and it is not surprising that the digestion of the bond issues has become difficult.

THERE ARE SIGNS that a check is being imposed even on military expenditure in China. Japan has already gone far on the inflationary path, and there is now an urge that the Tokyo Government and the Japanese people should make every endeavour to hold the "vicious" inflationary movement in check. But this means, as the "Oriental Economist" concedes, extremely drastic measures to prevent an exchange collapse, the curbing of imports, and the forcing of exports "even under high pressure," with compulsory savings, higher taxation, and regulated wages to bring the



Cowan and Bailey's artists of the song and dance who will entertain Hongkong residents during the coming two weeks in various theatres and hotels.

"World Peace Day"
CelebrationsYouth "Goodwill Day"
Message Broadcast

"Goodwill Day"—the Children's "World Peace Day"—was celebrated throughout the world yesterday to commemorate the conference of Governments held at The Hague, in Holland, on May 18, 1899, to discuss peace with no direct relation to War.

May 18 from that day became the anniversary of the official discussion of peace in time of peace—the only international day common to all peoples of the East and West.

The Welsh National Council, which has its headquarters in the Welsh National Temple of Peace and Health, in Cathays Park, Cardiff, has associated with this "Goodwill Day"—a broadcast message from the Youth of Wales to the Youth of the World.

This message was broadcast yesterday all over the world for the eighteenth year in succession by the B. B. C. and was as follows:

"GOODWILL DAY" MAY 18, 1939

This is Wales calling! the boys and girls of Wales are calling the boys and girls of all the world!

We rejoice to think that, above the tumult, on this one day of the year, we can greet each other as members of one great family, the family of the future.

BOOK REVIEW

China Will Conquer
—Lip King

CHINA WILL CONQUER. By Lip King. Kelly and Walsh. \$5.50. This book of over 330 pages is written by a returned student, who studied mining engineering, from America. Falling to find in Shanghai satisfactory encouragement and opportunity, the author went deep into the interior of Kwangsi Province. After going for seven years through civil warfare, he was made Commissioner of Reconstruction and in a few years, greatly improved the road communications throughout the province.

Mr. Lip King makes no claim to literary distinction. The book, which touches upon widely divergent subjects, is original and always interesting, since it is written in a pleasant and easy style. The civil wars, the Chinese "Iron-sides," the author's crusade against ignorance among his own people, his adventures in bandit-infested areas, the tin mines of Kwangsi, and many other subjects are presented in a new light that cannot fail to leave a deep impression on the reader's mind.

This book should serve as a source of inspiration and confidence to the youth of China, who should emulate what Mr. Lip King has done for his country.

COLONY HEALTH
RETURNS

Twenty four cases of tuberculosis were notified to the Health Department on May 17, in addition to four cases each of dysentery and measles, two cases of enteric fever and one case of cerebro-spinal fever.

people's purchasing power "under control."

JAPAN'S internal situation, and even more the situation in the areas in China which she has occupied, must make her pause before she adds to her commitments.

YOUTH SENTENCED
TO GAOL, "CAT"

A 21-year-old Chinese youth Chan Ho-yin, who said that he became penniless after leaving the employ of the Sanitary Department in November last, was yesterday sentenced at the Criminal Sessions by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, to two years' hard labour and 12 strokes of the "cat" when he pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery.

Chan was alleged to be involved in an armed robbery perpetrated by three men in King Kwong Street, Happy Valley, on April 23, when jewellery and money valued at over \$300 were stolen. Accused was stated to have been born in the United States.

ANOTHER CASE

Sentence of 18 months' hard labour was passed on each of three men, Chiu Siu-yung, Chan Fong and Wong Yau, who pleaded guilty to having committed a robbery at a second-hand dealer's shop in Lockhart Road on April 23.

The Chief Justice, in passing sentence, said he trusted that steps would be taken to send the men back to China as soon as possible.

DANCE CONTEST
AT H.K. HOTEL

The second preliminary heats of the "Garden of the Moon" dance contest were held at the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotel Roof Garden yesterday evening, before a large gathering, when Mr. James Dao and Mrs. K. Chan, Mr. Chan Chung-mau and Miss Li Lai-lai and Mr. Leung Lin-chen and Miss Kong Siu-mul, qualified to compete in the final.

Prizes are being presented by the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotel, Ltd., King's Theatre, the Hongkong Bowling Alleys and the China Emporium.

"Garden of the Moon," a Warner Bros. film, will be shown at the King's Theatre on May 26, and a third heat will be held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden to-day.

GAY TROUPE OF
ENTERTAINERS
IN COLONY

Headed By Cowan
And Bailey

QUEEN'S THEATRE
ATTRACTION

The m.v. Terukuni Maru made full-speed for Hongkong yesterday, attempting to make port before three p.m. They did it, the motorship arriving at 1.30 p.m. Police permission was granted for the disembarkation of eight passengers before the passport examination.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels' steam launch was put to use conveying the eight passengers from the ship at the buoy to Blake Pier, and taxis rushed the eight passengers to the Queen's Theatre.

Thus, we have the itinerary of the dancing team of "Cowan and Bailey," who have just arrived directly from Hollywood and Los Angeles, and who gave their first performance, here, in the afternoon at the Queen's Theatre.

ATTRACTIVE FACES

During the next two days and evenings at the Queen's Theatre, and on Saturday night in the Hongkong Hotel's Grippe, the Colony's pleasure seeking public will be entertained by attractive new faces, humorous new songs and gags, dance acts and new dance tunes.

"The Tallies" of Hollywood, Laurel Gables from the famous Franchot and Marco acts and New York, Florence Chappel who gives you the ballet and, from Hollywood, and Dolores Dee and Lucille Nicholson both from the film city will fill the local boards with modern phases of song and dance.

Of course, there are Cowan and Bailey, who can ably drive anyone crazy with their wild humour and songs. And a new member of the family, urging them on via the piano is the brother John Cowan.

GAY TROUPE

Completing the gay troupe is Mrs. C. Cowan and her young son who, more or less, stands bodyguard and errand boy for anyone of the cast needing assistance.

The antics of Cowan and Bailey are well-known throughout the Far East and Hongkong holds a soft spot for them due to their first very welcome appearance here six years ago.

These masters and mistresses of entertainment will be about the city for the next two weeks giving performances in hotels and theatres. Then they sail to Singapore, their home-town. In the southern city a new building is being completed and will be christened "The Cathay Club." Here, Cowan and Bailey will entertain the southern residents with a super-menu, bubbling beverages, and high-stepping entertainment, not forgetting a nine-piece orchestra on its way from America.

THEFT DENIED

Lau Yun-tak, 20, car cleaner was charged with theft of a motor car pump, the property of Mr. G. S. Wilson, A.S.P., in Argyle Street on Wednesday, before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Defendant was seen in the garden, holding the pump.

Accused denied the theft, stating that he was waiting for the master to ask for a job.

His Worship in discharging him said, "You can go this time, but I warn you that you had no right there."

Mr. R. Lewis, Traffic Manager of the local N. Y. K. Line's office, has been confined to the hospital through illness. Yesterday he was returned to his home and is progressing satisfactorily.

CHINA & UNITED STATES
NEUTRALITY ACTAgitation In America For
Revision: Widespread
Movement

The agitation that has been going on in the United States of America for a revision of the much discussed Neutrality Act has gathered more and more impetus as American citizens who have spent the greater part of their lives in China furnish the U.S. Government with valid and cogent reasons why such a revision has become increasingly necessary.

Chief among those who have championed China's cause in this respect is the Rev. Dr. William H. Fulton, who was a visitor to Hongkong not so long ago and who took the opportunity while he was here to address the Hongkong Y's Men's Club.

Dr. Fulton described his personal experiences of the atrocities committed by the Japanese in their present war of aggression against China and he made up his mind that when he got back to the States he would fight hard for a revision of the Neutrality Act in order to prevent any further American aid to Japan.

NO VAIN PROMISE

Dr. Fulton made no vain promise when he made this statement in Hongkong. Recent advices reaching this Colony from America furnish proof that Dr. Fulton is doing his utmost to bring home to the United States authorities what has been described in a well written book as "America's Shame in Japan's War Guilt."

Throughout America to-day there is a widespread movement for an amendment of the Neutrality Act. Dr. Fulton has been to the fore in this movement in his own little town of Rockford, Illinois, where all the Churches decided to donate offerings received on Sunday April 23 to China Relief funds.

In New York, Dr. Fulton's son is at the head of the movement and it is the general opinion in America that as this movement spreads, it will convince the Government of the urgent need for taking some action in regard to the Neutrality Act, to give official expression to the sympathy of the country for China in her present distress.

TRENCHANT LETTER

Dr. Fulton has, in the course of his efforts to secure such a result, written a trenchant letter to the press setting forth lucidly and comprehensively weighty reasons for the desired change.

"The Neutrality Act," he wrote, "was widely supported by peace-minded forces of the country and was put through with what were, for the most part, the best of motives. But its effects have been unexpected and deplorable. As someone has put it, it was better fitted to keep us out of the last war than to furnish us an adequate policy for the present situation."

"It actually puts us on the side of aggression in Spain and would have done the

same, if it had been invoked in regard to the Far Eastern incident. It was not put into effect for that reason. Thus we find ourselves without a formulated policy in one of the gravest international situations.

"Our country is supplying over 50 per cent. of the essential war materials imported by the Japanese machine. 'Bombs for Japan and bandages for China' is the way our policy is described in China."

In his letter Dr. Fulton goes on to comment on a certain amendment to the Act which was proposed by Senator Thomas and Mr. Guyer in order to distinguish between aggressor and victim and to relieve the United States from any participation in aggression.

THE ACT

"The act reads in part as follows:—

"Sec. 3A. Whenever the President shall find that one or more states signatory to a treaty to which the United States is a party is engaged in war with another state in violation of such treaty, he may, with the approval of a majority of each house of congress, exempt such other state, in whole or in part, from the provisions of any proclamation issued by him under the authority of this act, if such other state is not engaged in war in violation of such treaty. The President may, from time to time, change, modify, or revoke, in whole or in part, any exemption issued by him under the authority of this section."

"Applying provisions of this section to the situation in the Far East, we might, by recognizing the existence of an actual state of war, have penalized Japan for her violation of the nine power treaty on China to which both she and we were signatories," continues Dr. Fulton.

STILL TIME

"There may still be time to throw the weight of our country towards a preponderance of diplomatic and moral power on the side of law-abiding, treaty-keeping nations, but there is no time to lose."

"In my judgment, amendment of the neutrality act in some such fashion as that proposed by Senator Thomas would help greatly, and might even check the dictators. Certainly it would encourage peace-loving people who groan under their dictators, and wish to have done with aggression. I know there are many such."

"I trust that many of our Rockford citizens will write Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate committee on foreign relations, Washington, D. C., urging adoption of the Thomas amendment."

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS
IN COLONY

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 13, 1939, there were altogether 114 traffic accidents (a record) as the result of which 7 persons were killed and 38 persons were injured.

Of persons killed, a Chinese male, age 50, a Chinese female, age 18, and a Chinese male, age 38, were knocked down and killed by a bus, a private car and a lorry respectively while running across the road.

Of persons injured, 28 were pedestrians, who were either walking or running across the road or playing games on roadway and were struck by vehicles.

Of 114 accidents, 47 were collisions between vehicles; 42 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 25 accidents were due to other causes.

Accidents in which private cars were involved were again in the majority.

A sequel to an attempt to sell a silver water-clock, the property of Mr. F. E. W. Lammer, of No. 9, Salisbury Avenue, was the appearance of Wan Kam, 35-year old carpenter, before Mr. E. Hinesworth at the Kowloon Magistracy charged with theft. Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed.

UNCLAIMED
TELEGRAMS

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams lying at Cable & Wireless Ltd., Hongkong Branch:—

Cable telegrams:—
John Potter, American Consul, from San Francisco.
Ogle, 11 Belgen Road, Kowloon, from Portsmouth.
Harun Fleeting, Staff, Jardine Matheson, from Paris.
Radio telegrams:—
Tinterans, from Nankwan.
Dodgecars, from Swatow.
Bandault, from Hatphong.

TEA MERCHANT'S
ESTATE

Estate in Hongkong sworn under \$38,000 was left by Pun Tze-ping, alias Pan Tsen-ping, or Poon Ching-ping, alias Pun Wo-hing, alias Pun Ming-chak, alias Cheng Tai, tea merchant, who died intestate at Vole 108 No. 3, Hanol, Indo-China on April 18 last year. Letters of administration to the estate have been granted to Pun Yat-kai.

The body of the unknown European, which was found floating in the harbour near the Kowloon Godowns, was buried at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday. The Rev. A. P. Ross officiated.

PALESTINE

BRITISH PROPOSALS:
GRAVE DISAPPOINTMENT
IN ARAB CIRCLES

LONDON, May 18 (Reuter).—A White Paper outlining the British Government's intentions in Palestine, envisages the establishment of an independent Palestine State in a treaty relation with Britain within a decade.

The proposal provides for the commercial and strategic requirements of both countries.

Resentment
Over White
PaperRIOTS IN
JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, May 18 (Reuter).—It is reported that 1,500 Jewish demonstrators at Tel Aviv raided the District Government Offices and destroyed the interior which they set on fire.

A Jewish constable was seriously injured when people in the crowd opened fire on the policemen who were making a baton charge in an effort to disperse the crowd.

Two Jewish supernumeraries were slightly hurt when several bombs exploded in the upper storey of the Government Immigration Department, in the centre of Jerusalem, causing a conflagration.

While the majority of Jews reject the idea of violence, the bulk of the opinion supports the Jewish Agency statement rejecting the White Paper on the Palestine proposals.

Passive resistance comparable with Mr. Gandhi's methods are to be expected.

U.S. VIEW

WASHINGTON, May 18 (Reuter).—It is indicated here that the United States Government intends to pursue a "hands off" policy regarding the British plan for Palestine, but it is expected that great pressure will be brought to bear in an endeavour to interest the Government in obtaining better terms for the Jews.

DIFFERING OPINIONS

LONDON, May 18 (Reuter).—Differing opinions are held by all parties on the Palestine proposals, says Reuter's lobby correspondent.

While the Government expect to receive the approval of the majority of the House, they anticipate emphatic criticism from the Opposition in particular.

Cargoes For
Japan

SHIPS DELAYED

U.S. Dock Workers
Refuse To Carry
Out Loading

Brief cables and reports have appeared from time to time in the local press of freight vessels chartered by Japanese interests at ports on America's West Coast which were held up for days when longshoremen and dock workers refused to proceed with loading operations.

The "Hongkong Daily Press" takes pleasure in being able to reproduce the following descriptive account of an occasion, about two months ago, at Portland, Oregon, when two Greek tramp steamers, ostensibly chartered to carry a cargo of scrap-iron to Japan, were held up in port for eleven days when American longshoremen refused to work.

The Chinese colony in Portland played an important part in occasioning delay of the scrap-iron shipment, and dependent not on violence, but on what sympathy for the cause of their country they could call forward from the deck-workers, won the day.

The extract we publish is taken from the Bulletin of the 1936-37 Lignar Union Exchange Students (Vol. II, No. 1), and is written by Mr. Min D. Gillespie, the editor, who is resident at Portland. Mr. Gillespie was an exchange student, 1936-37, from Pomona College, Claremont, California, to Lingnan University, Canton. The extract follows:

SCRAP IRON FRACAS

"All of you have no doubt heard of our great scrap iron fracas here in Portland about a month ago. Two Greek tramp steamers under charter to Japanese interests came to Portland to load scrap iron for

Jews and Arabs will share, the government in proportion to the population.

During the transitional period, Jews and Arabs will be given an increasing part in the government. Jewish immigration will be restricted to approximately one-third of the population, giving over the next five years, a yearly quota of 10,000 immigrants, together with the admission of 25,000 refugees as a contribution to the refugee problem.

After five years, Jewish immigration will cease, unless the Arabs permit otherwise.

JEWISH PROTEST

The Jewish Agency, in a communiqué on the White Paper, declares that in effect, the new policy denies the Jewish people the right to reconstitute their national home in their ancestral country.

The policy transfers authority to the Arab majority, and puts the Jews at the mercy of that majority. It also establishes a territorial ghetto for Jews in their own homeland.

ARABS DISAPPOINTED

Arab circles in London express grave disappointment in the transitional period, expressing the opinion that the utmost limit should have been three years. They stress that the delay in granting independence is not only against Arab interests, but against general national interests in that Palestine is unable to proceed with the objective of an Arab Federation.

No arbitrary decision is taken on the form of the new State, which can be federal or unitary. It is to be shaped in consultation with the League of Nations.

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

The whole scheme is subject to approval by the League, and the Permanent Mandates Commission is expected to consider it in June, passing it on to the League Council later.

The White Paper will be discussed by the House of Commons on Monday and Tuesday next, when Mr. Malcolm MacDonald will explain the Government's reason for the decisions.

HITLER FACED
WITH DIFFICULT
DECISION

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Sir Alfred Zimmern added that if Italy is dragged into war by Germany she would find Turkey most awkward because Turkey now controls the Black Sea and has fortified the Dardanelles.

In the north of Europe, Sir Alfred said, pressure is being brought on Denmark by Germany but Sweden, Norway and Finland had declined any agreement with Germany, or the rival Powers.

The difficulty with Hitler, Sir Alfred concluded, had been that his policy has always been a military one and he had now got to alter it to a domestic one.

The joint action of France, Britain and Russia, in showing Hitler that he has nothing to gain and everything to lose, should prevent him from embarking on further adventures.

Japan. On hearing of their coming up the river (Portland, as you should know, is 100 miles from the ocean), the Chinese colony hustled out of bed and had 200 shivering members on hand before dawn in a driving rain to greet the first gang of longshoremen come to load the steamers.

"At times they had as high as 500 members—all Chinese, and carrying banners and generally acting in a very friendly, orderly, and commendable fashion. The longshoremen refused to pass the Chinese picket line.

"This continued for eleven days, causing approximately \$300 a day to hold each Greek freighter here, and demurrage charges on the 120 railroad cars of scrap iron amounting to \$480. Figure it up for yourself the cost to the shippers of the scrap iron at charges of \$480 daily. All the papers were against the shipping of scrap iron and for the cause of the Chinese.



In a co-operative machine shop this young refugee from flood-tortured, war-racked Honan finds work, sustenance and happiness.

CHINESE
INDUSTRIAL
CO-OPERATIVESHongkong Interest
In Project

Local interest in the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives is growing, according to the Hongkong Promotion Committee of the movement which is now conducting a campaign to acquaint the public of the colony with its aims.

In addition to the supper-dance to be held on May 26 at the Hongkong Hotel Grill Room, under the auspices of the four chief Chinese women's organizations of the colony, there will be a tea at the Helena May Institute on May 31 at which prominent members of the European community will listen to Miss Ida Pruitt, acting chairman of the Promotion Committee, giving an account of her impressions of the co-operatives in South Kiangsi, of which she has just completed an inspection tour.

The hostesses at the tea will be Mrs. Sidney Caine and Mrs. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke.

RATE OF EXPANSION

The local committee reports that the movement in the interior is maintaining its rapid rate of expansion. One project calls for the re-settlement of 10,000 refugees from the regions threatened by the impending Yellow River floods to the safer areas of the Northwest. Another deals with the development of water transport in South China.

Co-operative schools are to be founded. Blankets for the wounded and drugs for China's hospitals are to be domestically manufactured. All these things will be made by hands which would otherwise stretch out for alms.

While building a new industrial defence line for the country the movement, in its relief aspect, is giving effect to its basic slogan: "Thirty thousand industrial co-operatives will mean new life for millions."

On the application of Det-Sgt. Matches, four employees of the Kowloon Godowns were remanded when they appeared before Mr. E. H. Hensworth, charged with larceny of 110 felt hats from No. 48 Godown, and receiving.

In a report to the police Miss H. Irving, of Carnarvon Road, Kowloon, stated that while she was walking near her home on Wednesday, a Chinese snatched her handbag, containing money and articles valued at \$42.85, and ran away.

The Outport Rotarians Club of Hongkong held its second meeting in the Cafe de Chine yesterday, a fair number of members and their friends attending. It will be recalled that the club was inaugurated on Thursday, May 4, as it was felt it would be invaluable to the keeping up of old friendships between Rotarians and others who have been forced by the war to make Hongkong their home for the time being, and who do not feel themselves quite qualified to attend meetings of the Hongkong Rotary Club. The Club holds its luncheon meetings on the first and third Thursday of every month.

PICKETS WITHDRAWN

"Finally, however, the Federal Arbitrator of labour disputes ruled that the longshoremen had broken their contract and port closure was threatened. In order to prevent this the Chinese withdrew their pickets, and the freighters were loaded.

"The Chinese and their cause certainly got a great deal of free publicity and the whole problem is now being discussed in Washington. The Chinese thanked the dockworkers for their preferred help in picketing, but declined to use it on the grounds that there would be less cause for legal confusion and their case would be a stronger one if only the Chinese did the picketing."

START OF ROYAL TOUR
IN CANADA.

ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME

QUEBEC, MAY 18 (REUTER).—EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING AND UNTIL LATE TO-NIGHT thousands upon thousands of Canadians cheered themselves hoarse in an enthusiastic welcome to Their Majesties.

In the afternoon, 53,000 school children singing "God Save the King" and "O Canada" greeted the King and Queen on the plains of Abraham.

Later Their Majesties issued a statement that they were "deeply touched by the many messages of welcome and goodwill reaching them on their arrival from all parts of the Dominion and the United States."

"The volume of these messages was so great that it was not possible for Their Majesties to answer them individually. They wish, however, to express to the senders their sincerest thanks for their good wishes."

FIRST OFFICIAL DUTY

The King performed one of his first official duties as King of Canada when he signed a submission conveying formal consent to the appointment of Mr. Daniel Roper as United States Minister to Canada.

STATE BANQUET

QUEBEC, May 18 (Reuter and T/Ocean).—A State banquet at the Chateau Fontenac conclude the first day of the Royal visit in this city, the King and Queen being cheered by enthusiastic crowds as they drove to and from the Chateau.

During the banquet the city was illuminated by a gigantic pyrotechnical display and when the

Royal party appeared the National Anthem was sung in French.

The French in which His Majesty replied to the address of welcome made a deep impression on the population.

The King and Queen will leave to-day at 9.15 local time en route to Montreal where they are due to arrive at 2.15 and will leave for Ottawa at 11 p.m.

ENTHUSIASTIC COMMENT

LONDON, May 18 (Reuter).—Canadian, American and French newspapers comment enthusiastically on the warm welcome accorded the King and Queen in Quebec.

"If they do as well in English-speaking Canada and the United States they will have accomplished the primary, if the least mentioned, purpose of their visit—the conquest of North America," says the "New York Times" special correspondent in Quebec.

"A new conquest of Canada occurred on the Plains of Abraham," declares the "Whig Standard" of Kingston, Ontario.

"La Victoire" writes, "Certainly our grandfathers would never have imagined their grandsons would endow their friendship for England with so profound and affectionate a character."

British, United States And French
Marines Land At KulangsuFINE ORATORIO
BY CHORAL
GROUPGOVERNOR HEARS
PEROSI'S WORKBIG TRIUMPH FOR
D'AQUINO

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, headed an interested and appreciative audience which heard with delight, at the China Fleet Club Theatre last night, a complete choral and orchestral performance of Lorenzo Perosi's oratorio, "The Resurrection of Christ."

The performance, which was in aid of the funds of the Emergency Refugee Council, was given by the Choral Group, augmented by solo voices and full orchestra, all under the direction of Maestro E. Gualdi.

A beautiful work of great inspiration, the oratorio is in conception and development essentially different from compositions of a similar character by Handel and other masters; at times somewhat strange, but never lacking in warmth and melody, it achieves musical heights which at once reveal the genius of Perosi.

The Choral Group deserves the highest plaudits for its courage in attempting to sing such a difficult work, and it is to the Group's credit that it succeeded in giving a very fine rendering.

PERSONAL TRIUMPH

As the Narrator, the principal tenor part, Mr. Gaston D'Aquino scored a personal triumph and showed beyond argument that he is the best tenor in the Colony.

Mrs. Sylvia Choy, who took on the part of Mary Magdalene at very short notice, gave of her best, and Mr. Alec Greaves, after a considerable absence from singing, also sang well the part of Christ. The other soloists were Mrs. Gertrude Goddard, Miss Carmen Silva, Miss Phyllis Ling and Mr. David Lyon.

A necessary part of the performance, the orchestra led by Prof. E. Pellegrini, proved to be an excellent, balanced body, all the shades of colour and expression in Perosi's work being superbly emphasised. The first violins, led by Prof. N. A. Tonoff, had a major share of the work and performed very well.

Japanese
WithdrawULTIMATUM FROM
BRITISH C. IN C.American Note
On Shanghai

LONDON, May 12 (Reuter).—Reuter was informed yesterday by the Admiralty that parties of forty-two marines each had been landed at Kulangsu from British, American and French warships.

The total number is said to be equal to the Japanese forces now on the island.

A message from Kulangsu states that the majority of the Japanese bluejackets withdrew from the island during the night and to-day there are only a handful of Japanese still there.

VIRTUAL ULTIMATUM

KULANGSU, May 18 (Reuter).—At 8 o'clock on the evening of May 16, approximately 150 British, American and French bluejackets the same number as those landed by the Japanese last week, landed on the island from British, American and French warships.

This landing followed the virtual ultimatum to the Japanese from the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Percy Nolle, that a landing would be made unless all Japanese bluejackets landed on the island were withdrawn.

Admiral Noble also informed the Japanese that there could be no question of modification in the Kulangsu Municipal Council not in accordance with the Land Regulations.

CONCENTRATION OF
WARSHIPS

There is now a veritable international concentration of warships here including the British cruiser Birmingham, the destroyers Duncan, Defender, Scout, the United States cruiser Marblehead and destroyer Bulmer, and the French cruiser Emile Bertin.

There are now only 42 Japanese sailors remaining in Kulangsu out of a force of 200 landed last week.

JAPANESE REPLY

TOKYO, May 18 (Reuter).—The Japanese Foreign Office reply to the British protest regarding Kulangsu was delivered to the British

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HITLER'S OFFER

HELSINGFORS, May 18 (REUTER).—IT IS REPORTED THAT FINLAND HAS DECLINED HITLER'S OFFER of a non-aggression pact on the ground that the northern countries have agreed to observe strict neutrality. It is stated here that Sweden and Norway have replied similarly and their replies will be published to-morrow.

A message from Copenhagen states that it is learned that Denmark has accepted Hitler's offer of a non-aggression pact.

QUESTION IN
COMMONSControlling
Legislation
Possible

LONDON, MAY 18 (REUTER).—IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY, MR. W. LEACH (LAB.) ASKED IF THE BUYING AND SELLING OF CHINESE CHILDREN still persisted in Hongkong and Malaya and if attention had been drawn to a statement made by Mr. Oakley, Assistant Protector of Chinese in Selangor, F.M.S., that it was no offence to sell a boy.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said that attention had been drawn to the press report of the statement. The buying and selling of children, with a view to slavery, prostitution and other immoral and unlawful purposes, was forbidden by law both in Malaya and in Hongkong.

RECENT INQUIRY

The recent Commission which investigated the problems of Mui-Tai in Hongkong and Malaya made searching inquiries of any system of transfer affecting boys, but it was reported that no such system involving the element of bondage, either on the pretext of adoption or any other pretext, was found to exist.

Recently there had been cases of boys being sent to Malaya for the purpose, it was believed, of removing them from the zone of hostilities and he had taken steps to assure himself that the authorities in Hongkong and Malaya were co-operating to maintain a strict watch against development of abuses.

If the circumstances warranted, specific controlling legislation would be enacted.

AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:—
NORTHBOUND
Friday: Bangkok, Hanoi, Hongkong.
Delphinus—4 p.m.
Monday: Bangkok, Hanoi, Hongkong.
Dorado, Dells—3.30 and 5 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND
Tuesday: Hanoi, Bangkok.
Delphinus—7 a.m.
Air France:—

SOUTHBOUND
Saturday: Hanoi, France.
Ville de Beyrouth—7 a.m.
Pan American Airways:—

EASTBOUND
Saturday: U.S.A., Manila, Hongkong.
California Clipper—2 p.m.

WESTBOUND
Sunday, Manila, U.S.A.
California Clipper—6.30 a.m.

Note: Due to a delay on the main Empire route, the north-bound week-end service of Imperial Airways has been delayed a day and is reported to be arriving this afternoon with mail from all ports.

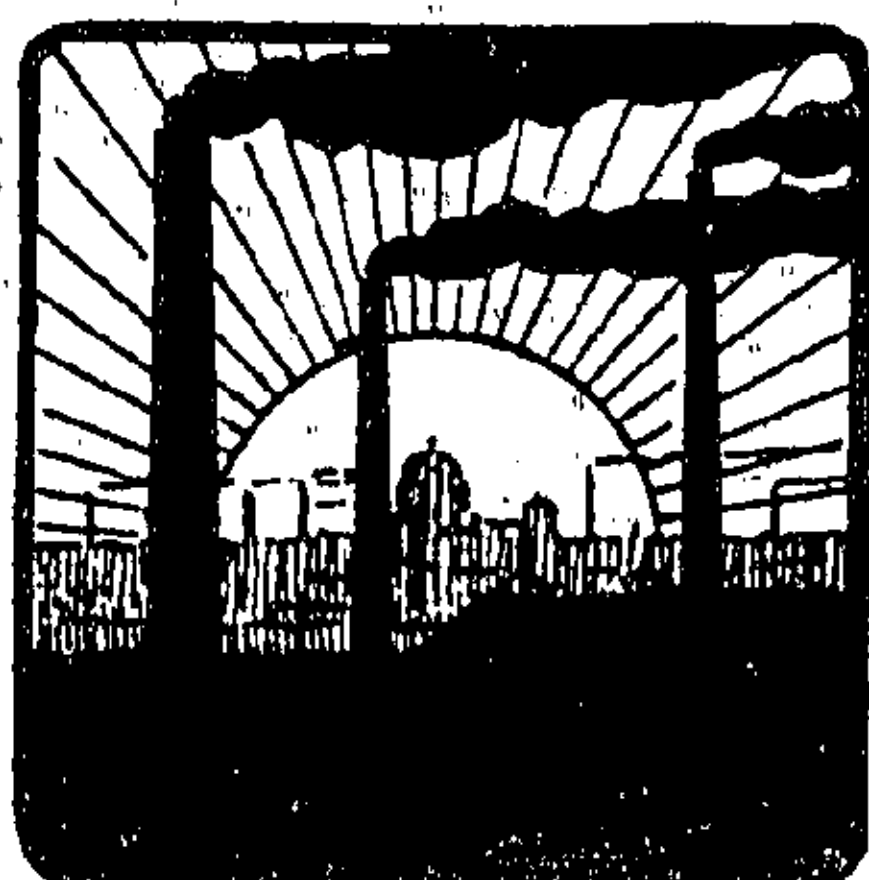
had been attacked and no Japanese property damaged before the landing of the naval party.

Nevertheless, he said, the Japanese naval authorities considered the landing of the naval party as "a necessary emergency measure of self-defence."

Rear-Admiral Kanazawa, however, saw "nothing in the situation which necessitated similar action on the part of the British and American naval authorities." He was unable, he said, to understand why the Japanese action at Kulangsu caused such a "future

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Rhythm Saved The World (Cahn,
Chaplin); Shoe Shine Boy (Cahn,
Chaplin)—Miss Otis Regrets (from
Hi Diddle Diddle).

12.40 p.m. Henry Jacques and His
Orchestra.

You Couldn't Be Cuter—Quickstep
(Jim Joy of Living); The Moon of
Manakoa—Waltz (film "Hurricane");
My Heart Will Never Sing Again—
Slow Fox-Trot; The First Quare—
Waltz; Lonely Troubadour—Tango;
When Bomba Plays A Rumba—
Rumba.

1.00 p.m. Local Time Signal and
Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. Musical Comedy.

"Happy Memories—Selection—New
Mayfair Orchestra with Vocal Re-
frain. "Conversation Piece"—Never-
more (Noel Coward); I'll Follow My
Secret Heart—Gloria Grafton (So-
prano) with Carroll Gibbons & His
Boy Friends. "Head Over Heels"—
Selection (Gordon and Revel)—Louis
Levy and His Gaumont-British Sym-
phony. Vocal Refrain by Janet Lind.
"Viktoria" And Her Hussar—Vocal
Gems (Abraham)—Light Opera Com-
pany with Orch.

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press,
Weather Forecast And Announce-
ments.

1.40 p.m.—Lalo—Symphonic—Espan-
nole For Violin And Orchestra, Op.
21.

Bronislaw Huberman (Violin) and
the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra
cond. by Georg Szell.

2.15 p.m. Close down.

6.00 p.m. An hour of Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—On A Typical Tropical
Night (from "Go West, young man");
I Was Saying To The Moon (from
"Go West, young man")—Reggie Childs
and His Orchestra. Waltz—Close To
To Me; Fox-Trot—Front Page News—
Sydney Lipton and His Grosvenor
House Band. Tango—San Fernan-
do; Punto Arenas—Heins Supper &
His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—When A
Woman Smiles; Goodbye, Little
Dream. Goodbye—Jack Hylton and
His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Here's
Love In Your Eye (film "The Big
Broadcast of 1937"); Night In Man-
hattan (film "The Big Broadcast of
1937"); Ted Flo Rito and His Orches-
tra. Waltz—The Waltz In Swing
Time (film "Swing Time")—Johnny
Green and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots
—Keep Calling Me Sweetheart; Poor
Robinson Crusoe—Billy Cotton & His
Band. Fox-Trots—On A Little Dream
Bunch; Was It Rain? (film "The Big
Parade")—Jay Wilbur and His Band.
Tango—Twilight; Jingle Bells — E.
Bohr's Argentine Tango Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—I Need You; Novelty Fox-
Trot—Dancing Moth—Jay Wilbur and
His Band.

7.00 p.m. Closing local Stock Quo-
tations.

7.02 p.m. Some Welsh Songs.

Songs Of The Flood (Owlym Hira-
thog and Ap Fychan)—William Ed-
wards (Tenor) with Harp Accomp. by
Telynoros Gwynn. David Of The
White Rock (arr. Roberts); The Lit-
tle Thatched Cottage (arr. Roberts)—
Lella Megane (Contralto) with Piano.
Mentra Gwen (Old Welsh Song);
Adieu To Dear Gambia (Old Welsh
Song)—Evan Williams (Tenor) with
Orch.

7.15 p.m. New Light Symphony
Orchestra.

Glow Worm Inyl (Lincke); Dance
Des Apaches (Cuthbert, Clarke).
Spanish Dance No. 1 (Granados);
Spanish Dance No. 2 (Granados)—
conducted by Eugene Goossens.

7.30 p.m. Luigi Fort (Tenor) and
the Orchestra Mascotte.

Once On The Rhine—Waltz (Willi
Ostermann); Cavalier Waltz (Nedbal).
—Orchestra Mascotte. Ideale (Tosti);
Si Vous L'avez Compris—Melodie
(Denza)—Luigi Fort (Tenor) singing
first in Italian and then in French.
With Orchestra. Lysistrata—Waltz
(Paul Lincke). Ball Sirens—Waltz
Tunet (from "Merry Widow")—Lehar.
—Orchestra Mascotte. Ay, Ay, Ay
(Perez and Freire)—Luigi Fort
(Tenor) with Orchestra. (Sung in
Italian). Twinkling Lights—Waltz
Melodies (from Operette "Der Ober-
steiger"—Zeller)—Orchestra Mascotte.

8.00 p.m. Local Time Signal, Wea-
ther Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. Beethoven—Quartet In C
Sharp Minor, Op. 131.

Busch Quartet (Adolf Busch-Gosta
Andreasson-Karl Doktor—Hermann
Busch).

8.45 p.m. Studio—Concert by Elvie
Yuen (Soprano) and The Very Rev.
Father A. Rignault (Piano).

1. (a) Vissi d'arte, vissi d'amore
(Tosca)—Puccini. (b) Chi vuol la
Zingarella (Paisiello). (c) Visione
(Tosti). Elvie Yuen (Soprano). 2. (a)
Miserere Virens. (b) Carozzetta
(Noniolo)—The Very Rev. Father
Rignault (Piano). 3. (a) Homing (Del
Riego). (b) Bird Songs at Eventide
(Coates). (c) SUN as the Night
(Bohnd)—Elvie Yuen (Soprano).

9.15 p.m. London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m. London Relay — "More
Food for Thought."

Short talks on matters of topical
interest.

9.45 p.m. London Relay — Sports
News and Market Notes.

9.50 p.m. Borodin—Symphony No.
2 in B Minor.

London Symphony Orchestra con-
ducted by Albert Coates.

10.17 p.m. Next week's programmes.
10.20 p.m. Russian Songs.

Princes Igor — Peasants' Chorus
(Borodin—Rimsky-Korsakov)—Soviet
Russian Choir. On The Volga River;
The Volga Boatman — A Russian
Choir.

10.30 p.m. Russian Novelty Orches-
tra.

Waltz Of Russian Melodies (Com-
poser Unknown); Beauty Waltz (Com-
poser Unknown). Waltz Of The Lost
Love (arr. Schwartz); His Dreamy
Waltz (arr. Schwartz).

10.42 p.m. Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Strolling In The Park;
Orient Nights—Billy Bartholemew &
His Dance Orchestra. Waltzes—Fer-
dinand The Bull (from the film); The
Umbrella Man (from These Foolish
Things)—Jack Hylton and His Or-
chestra. Quickstep—Fall In And Fly;
Waltz—Easy Street—Billy Cotton and
His Band.

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10.00—Broadcast to Schools—"Glimp-
ses of English Literature" by
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10.20—Wheat and Grain Report (A).

10.40—"At Home and Abroad." (A).

11.05—Luncheon Music (A).

11.30—Afternoon Musical Programme
(A).

p.m.

1.45—"Haunting Harmonies" with
Max Schumann and Dudley
Hardt at two Pianos (D1).

2.05—"Cards on the Table." (D1).

2.20—Pianoforte Recital by Iris Love-
ridge (D1).

2.30—News (D1).

2.45—"More Food for Thought."
(D1).

3.00—"Accent on Rhythm." Selection
dance tunes, old and new (D1).

3.15—Sports News and Market Notes
(D1).

3.30—Young People's Session (A).

4.15—Dance Music (A).

5.25—Commentary On News (A).

6.40—Evening Musical Programme
(A).

6.45—"The History of the Jews."
Talk by J. W. Parkes (D2).

7.00—"Monologues in Melody," Gerald
Moore at the piano (D2).

7.15—Dance Music by Eddie Carroll
and his Orchestra (D2).

8.15—Friday Midday Concert. The
Birmingham Philharmonic String
Orchestra (D2).

8.50—Recorded Feature (A).

9.00—Sandy Macpherson, at B.B.C.
Theatre Organ (D2).

9.15—News (D2).

9.20—Summary of the day's news
(A).

9.30—"More Food for Thought."
(D2).

9.45—Sports News and Market Notes
(D2).

10.00—Programme of Old Favourites
by the B.B.C. Military Band
(D3).

10.50—"Health for the Nation." (D3).

11.35—The Radio Trio (D3).

12.00—News (D3).

a.m.

12.15—"Pros and Cons" with the
Midland Revue Orchestra (D3).

12.55—Sports News and Market Notes
(D3).

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CHEKIANG'S WARTIME POLITICAL PROGRAMME

CHUNGKING, May 18 (Central).—The maintenance of political administration and the establishment of schools in the 14 counties under enemy occupation are included in the wartime political programme of Chekiang, according to Gen. Huang Shao-hsiung, Chairman of the Provincial Government.

The functioning of political organs in the occupied areas, is necessary in order to counteract the enemy's influence in the political, cultural and economic fields, General Huang explained.

Many schools in the occupied areas have already been reopened and over 3,000 students are undergoing training for wartime services.

Outside the occupied areas, the political programme of the Province lays special emphasis on the following main items:

The adjustment of political administration with the ultimate aim of making Chekiang a truly democratic province; the strengthening of people's self-defence units so as to make them a potential fighting force; the improvement of the conscription system; the adjustment of the financial administration; the control of the Province's communications; the increase in the productive power of the Province; and the opening of new schools as well as the training of young men for services in various fields. The programme is based on the Principles Governing Resistance and National Reconstruction as announced by the Central Government.

DUTY FREE GOODS FOR CHINA

KUNMING, May 17 (Int'l).—The report that Haiphong is to become a free port, like Hongkong, is said to be without foundation, but it is reported that the French colonial authorities will permit the entrance of Chinese goods duty free if they are designated for China.

Many goods for China are shipped via Indo-China for Yunnan en route to the interior. Under existing conditions, goods to China via Haiphong are subject to French import tariff and again Chinese duty.

Sino-French relations will be further improved if this exemption is made to facilitate the entrance of Chinese goods, it is predicted here.

Canton Insurance Office Annual Meeting: Chairman's Review Of Year's Working

A final dividend of \$8 per share in respect of 1937 working account and an interim dividend of \$5 in respect of 1938 were approved at the 88th annual meeting of shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., which was held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., yesterday.

Mr. D. F. Landale, Chairman of the Consulting Committee, presided, supported by the following members of the Committee:—the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. S. T. Williamson and Mr. F. C. Hall, secretary.

Shareholders present were Messrs. W. L. Mackenzie, Ho Kom-tong, H. J. Armstrong, Lo Cheung-shiu, N. V. A. Croucher, M. W. Lo, M. H. Lo, J. H. Danby, H. W. Duley, D. Hung, Ho Sai-cheung, S. Hampden Ross and D. V. Stevenson.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Chairman said, in part: I wish to preface the few remarks I am about to make with an expression of regret that Sir Robert Ho Tung is not with us to-day. It is well over twenty years since he joined the Consulting Committee of this Company, and during that period the benefit of his sound advice was constantly at our disposal; advancing years, however, brought with them a wish for relief from the cares of business and, in expressing our most sincere thanks for his many valued services, we wish him long life and all happiness in his retirement. I am pleased to be able to inform you that the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo has accepted our invitation to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Sir Robert.

It is with regret that I have also to advise the resignation of Mr. Felix A. Joseph from the Consulting Committee. Mr. Joseph left for England early last month and to him likewise we tender our best thanks and all good wishes for the future.

OUTTURN FOR 1937

The outturn of the account for 1937, though rather better than we had at one time anticipated, is poor in comparison with its predecessors of recent years, the contributing factor to this being the adverse result of our sterling operations more particularly in respect to London.

The balance at credit of Working Account 1938, as at the 31st December last, stood at \$2,174,828 and though this sum is \$188,139 less than the carry forward for 1937, at the same stage, we

have hopes that as the result of some drastic pruning there will be a marked improvement.

BALANCE SHEET

Scrutiny of the Balance Sheet will reveal that the total of Assets has fallen by HK\$1,137,319, or £70,490 as expressed in sterling.

On the other side, it will be found that Reinsurance Fund is down by \$804,362 as the result of a very necessary transfer of £50,000 to the Underwriting Account to meet the delayed losses already referred to. Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account has fallen by \$383,289 and the shrinkage would have been greater had not this Reserve received support from other directions. Underwriting Suspense Account shows an increase of \$388,132, resulting from the transfer of £50,000 that I have already mentioned.

The surplus to be dealt with for the 1937 Account is \$911,762, out of which has been paid an Interim Dividend of \$5 per share. We now recommend a final payment of \$8 per share, making in all \$13 per share, which will absorb \$850,000 and the transfer of the balance of \$261,762 to Underwriting Suspense Account to close 1937 and previous years. The balance of \$2,174,828 at credit of 1938 Account allows of the payment of an interim dividend of \$5 per share for that year, leaving an amount of \$1,924,828 to be carried forward.

UNREST AND UNCERTAINTY

There is little more to say and it is hardly necessary for me to point out the present difficulties that attend "marine" insurance in common with all other forms of commerce in the Far East. Genuine trade cannot flourish under the existing conditions of unrest and uncertainty and I fear we must anticipate a further drop in income during the current year. Still, we are carrying along quietly, avoiding trouble and looking for the better times that will surely come. We face the future with the knowledge that we have a strong and solid Balance Sheet.

I now propose the following resolution:—"That the report and accounts, as presented, including the payment of a final Dividend in respect of the year 1937 of \$8 per share and an Interim Dividend in respect of the year 1938 of \$5 per share and the addition of \$261,762.43 to Underwriting Suspense Account be adopted and passed."

Mr. Ho Kom-tong seconded and the resolution was passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. D. V. Stevenson proposed and Mr. M. W. Lo seconded the re-election of the Consulting Committee.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors, being proposed by Mr. J. H. Danby and seconded by Mr. M. H. Lo. This concluded the business of the meeting, and the chairman announced that dividend warrants were ready.

THE ARMY

NEW MAJOR-GENERALS

The following appointments have been approved by the King:—Brigadier T. G. G. Heywood, O.B.E., as Divisional Commander, with the rank of major-general, with effect from July. Brigadier F. G. Hyland, M.C., as Divisional Commander, with the rank of major-general, with effect from this month. Brigadier T. G. Newton, D.S.O., O.B.E., as Major-General, General Staff, with effect from this month. Major-General Heywood has been in charge of the artillery work at Aldershot since 1936. He joined from the Militia in 1905 and has held many posts. He was with the Mission to the Orient and Turkey, on the staff at Versailles, and with the Shanghai Defence Force. Major-General Hyland is commanding the 21st (North Midland) A.A. Brigade; and Major-General Newton is Commandant of the School of A.A. Defence.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

WING COMMANDER DICK WING Commander M. C. Dick, A.F.C., who has been second-in-command of No. 1 Air Armament School since its transfer from Eastchurch to Manby last year, has been placed on the retired list from May 1 because of ill-health.

CABLE & WIRELESS LTD. MEETING

£1,203,671 Profit
For Last Year

Lord Pender, Governor of Cable and Wireless, (Holding) Limited, presided at the annual meeting of the company at Holding on May 17, 1939.

Addressing the meeting, His Lordship said, inter alia:

We meet to-day under the shadow of the grave international tension and unrest which has unfortunately become almost characteristic of the past few months.

The conditions have naturally had an adverse effect both on business generally and on the financial results of all Companies, as it has recently been pointed out the aggregate profits of Companies issuing their accounts during the first quarter of 1939 are some fifteen per cent. less than for previous year.

The dividends receivable from the subsidiary Companies for 1938 amount to £1,217,000 which may be compared with £1,231,000 in 1937.

In addition to these dividends the sum of £63,080 has been received on account of a special dividend from the Marconi Company.

The dividend from Cables Investment Trust is unchanged at £50,000 and this accomplishment is particularly noteworthy in view of the difficult nature of the year for all investment trusts.

PROFIT FOR YEAR

The profit for the year is £1,203,671 which is only £5,000 lower than last year to which is added the balance of £199,000 brought forward from 1937.

Your Directors have paid the dividend on the 5½ per cent. cumulative preference stock which absorbs £922,000 and they now recommend the payment of a dividend of four per cent. on the ordinary stock which requires £275,000 and leaves £205,000 to be carried to 1939. This latter dividend is at the same rate as that paid in respect of 1937.

SOLE AGENTS:
A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.
WINE DEPT. TEL 20616.

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

FRIDAY, the 19th MAY, 1939

Commencing at 11 a.m.

At their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road, Central

8 Bales Paper

5 Reels Paper

1 Case Steel Flat Bars

1 Case Steel Blocks

4 Cases Torch Lenses

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

To Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

FRIDAY, the 19th MAY, 1939

Commencing at 2.30 p.m.

At their Sales Room, No. 2 Connaught Road, Central, Ground Floor.

Comprising:—

Teakwood and Iron Bedsteads, Cots, Divans, Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Chamber Stands, Chests of Drawers, Chesterfield Suites, Sideboards, Dinner and Tea Waggon, Dining Tables, Chairs, Ice Chests, Flower Stands, Desks, Typewriter Tables, Filing and Glass Cabinets, Ornaments, Cutlery, Dinner Crockery, Glasses, Brass and E. P. Ware, Electric Fans and Lamps, Gramophones and Records, Rugs, Cooking Utensils and Stove, etc., etc.

also

A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD FURNITURE

and

2 Radio Sets

3 Canvas Canoes

1 Surf Board

1 "Singer" Sewing Machine

1 "Corona" Portable Typewriter

1 "Royal" Portable Typewriter

1 "Bar-Let" Portable Typewriter

1 "Underwood" Typewriter

On VIEW from THURSDAY, the 18th MAY, 1939.

TERMS:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

"People Who Matter"

PEOPLE WHO MATTER, to the advertiser are the people who can afford to buy his goods. Most of these people buy and read the

Hongkong Daily Press.

THE SERVICES

ROYAL NAVY

SENIOR OFFICERS' COURSE

A new term at the Senior Officers' Tactical Course, held at Portsmouth, opened recently and will last until July 21.

Among the students are Rear-Admiral W. J. Whitworth, late Naval Secretary to the First Lord, who will afterwards assume command of the Battle-Cruiser Squadron; and Captains J. Higgins, from the command of the Wildfire training establishment at Sheerness; W. Durnford, on his return from duty as Chief Staff Officer, Malta; E. G. N. Rushbrooke, late Captain on the staff, China Station; and B. A. W. Warburton-Lee, from the command of the Edinburgh and Chief of Staff, Reserve Fleet.

NEW ZEALAND SQUADRON

H.M.S. Achilles, Captain W. E. Parry, has arrived at Auckland on her return to duty in the New Zealand Squadron after being recommissioned at Portsmouth. Her sistership the Leander, flying the broad pendant of Commodore J. W. Rivett-Carnac, commanding the squadron, returned from a cruise to Australia.

COMMAND OF THE JAVELIN

Commander A. F. Pugsley, from the Naval Equipment Department, Admiralty, will assume command of the destroyer Javelin, completing at the Clydebank shipyard of John Brown and Co. for service in the Home Fleet.

COMPLETION OF THE JERVIS

The Botilla leader Jervis is now ready for her acceptance trial at the Hebburn shipyard of Hawthorn, Leslie and Co. She will be commissioned by Captain P. J. Mack, late Naval Attaché in South America, who will become Captain (D) in command of one of the Home Fleet Botillas. Specialist officers already appointed to the Jervis include Engineer Commander J. A. Ruddy, and Lieutenants V. D. Ravenscroft (anti-submarine), C. R. L. Argles (torpedo), J. Cochran (navigation), and H. H. Mulleneux (gunnery).

LEIGH CARSLAKE PRIZE

The Henry Leigh Carslake Prize for 1939-40 has been awarded to Lieutenant J. E. Smallwood, R.N., of H.M.S. Achilles, New Zealand Station. Lieutenant-Commander G. A. Rotherham, of the R.N. Staff College, Lieutenant J. G. B. Boulton, of H.M.S. Orion, and Lieutenant B. J. C. Wise, of H.M.S. Argus, are commended for

their essays. This prize, which commends the late Lieutenant F. L. Carslake, R.N., a pioneer naval observer of the Fleet Air Arm, who was killed in an aeroplane crash off Malta in 1926, is awarded annually to the naval observer who submits the best essay on a subject set by the Admiralty and dealing with the work and development of the Fleet Air Arm.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—Lt.-Cdr. J. Bostock, to Pembroke (May 6). Lt.-Cdr. (E)—B. S. Magee, to Sikh (May 6). Lt.—R. T. Harrel, to Britannia for R.N.C. Dartmouth; F. W. Hale, to Vernon; B. J. C. Wise, to Glorious (May 8); V. C. Grenfell, to Victory (May 3), and to Edinburgh (on commg); M. E. P. Franklin, D. C. E. P. Gibson, to Pembroke for No. 1 F.T.S. Netheravon (May 8). Lt. (Retd.)—J. T. Pollock, to Tamar (May 12).

Lt. (R.N.R.)—A. A. Pettigrew entered as Lt. (seny. July 6, 1934), and apptd. to Courageous (May 1). Sub-Lt.—R. C. Lockley, to Prince of Wales (May 12); V. E. H. Vansho, to Bonaventure (May 5); R. M. Palmer, to Drake (May 11). Tel. Lt.—G. H. Rowell, to Victory for Sig. Sch. (April 11).

Sub-Lt.—G. W. Russell, R. W. Benson-Dare, I. B. Russell, G. R. Callingham, J. D. M. Briscoe, R. H. Jordan, J. L. W. M. Allison, H. Muir-Mackenzie, to Pembroke for No. 1 F.T.S. Netheravon (May 8). Act. Sub-Lt. (A)—E. David, I. L. F. Lowe, A. S. D. Macaulay, W. de G. Martin, J. E. H. Myers, W. E. Scarpure, J. C. Thompson, M. F. S. P. Willocks, J. O. B. Young, J. F. Olsen, W. S. Butterworth, A. S. Campbell, P. F. Leigh, W. Pedlow, D. P. Johnson, P. W. Rudolf, to Pembroke for No. 1 F.T.S. Netheravon (May 8); T. J. A. King-Joyce, to Victory (May 9), and to Edinburgh (on commg).

Mids. (A)—B. H. St. A. H. Hurdle, Hobbs, C. J. E. Jones, R. M. M. Hees, O. W. Tattersall, J. M. W. Thom, D. P. Wellings, J. S. Bailey, R. E. Bartlett, M. T. M. Brooke, J. G. Casey, F. A. H. Harley, to Pembroke for No. 1 F.T.S. Netheravon (May 8).

Cd. Engr.—G. H. Trend, to Escort (May 6). Wt. Engr.—N. O. H. Martin, to Caledon (May 5).

PROMOTIONS

Sub-Lt.—A. D. H. Milne-Horne, to rank of Lt. (seny. April 16).

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 18, 1939

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 3/4
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 3/4	Credits 4 months' sight 1/2 3/4
On Shanghai:	On demand 179
On Singapore:	On demand 12 3/4
On Japan:	On demand 10 5/8
On India:	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 3/4
On New York:	Bank Bills, on demand 8 3/4
Credits, 60 days' sight 1/4	On Batavia:
On demand 63 3/8	On Paris:
Bank Bills, on demand 180	Credits 4 months' sight 112
On Saigon:	On demand 108 1/4
On Manila:	On demand 37 3/4
On Bangkok:	On demand 150 5/8
Sterling Notes:	Bank Buying Rate 1/2 10/16
Bar Silver per oz.	20 1/8

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 20 1/8 for Ready and 19 1/8 for Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being steady but very quiet. American Silver was quoted at 42 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 488.12. New York/London was quoted at 468.1/8.

Market

Business was done shortly after the opening at 1/27/32 for September and also October. Subsequently 1/27/8 was also arranged for cash and May. The market closed at lunch time with sellers at 1/27/8 May/July and 1/27/32 August/November, buyers at 1/27/8 September and 1/27/8 September/November.

U.S. Dollars

Business was done at 29 for May and June. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 29 May, 28 15/16 June, possibly July, 28 7/8 August/September and 28 13/16 October/November, buyers at 29 1/16 for cash, 29 first half July, probably June, 28 15/16 August/September and 28 7/8 November, probably October.

Shanghai Dollars

180 1/4 sellers.
Steady. Sterling sellers at 8 1/4 for Cash and U.S. Dollars 16 1/16.

AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was firm in the afternoon.

Sterling

A small business was done at 1/27/8 for August delivery. The market closed with sellers at 1/27/8 May/July and 1/27/32 August/November, buyers at 1/27/8 29/32 Cash/August and 1/27/8 September/November.

U.S. Dollars

Business was done at 29 for June. The market closed with sellers at 29 for May/June, 28 15/16 first half August, 28 7/8 September, probably October and 28 13/16 November, buyers at 29 1/16 for cash, 29 first half July, 28 15/16 August and 28 7/8 November, probably October.

Shanghai Dollars

180 1/4.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, May 17 (Reuters).
T.T. on Japan, 78-5/8.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, May 17 (Reuters).
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 95-02-3.

New York Exchange

New York, May 17 (Reuters).
T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 488-3/16.

London Exchange

London, May 18 (BWS).
Closing mean rates.

Paris, 178-47/64.
New York, 488-5/32.
Montreal, 489-7/16.
Brussels, 275-04.
Geneva, 20-83.
Amsterdam, 8-72.
Milan, 89.
Berlin, 11-07.
Buenos Aires, 20-24.
Other rates were unchanged.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, May 17 (Reuters).
Silver—Small American, trade demand. Market quietly steady. In the afternoon, the market was very quiet.

Spot, 20-1/8d.
Forward, 19-15/16d.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, May 17 (Reuters).
Official Price, 42-3/4.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, May 17 (Reuters).
Market—Quiet but steady.

Offtake 50 bars

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 53-01
June 15 Settlement 52-15
July 12 Settlement 52-13

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA STATEMENT

Calcutta, May 17 (Reuters).

May 5 May 12

Notes in circulation (including Notes held in the Banking Department)	20,690	20,692
Rupee Coin and Bullion in India	6,569	6,541
Gold Coin and Bullion in India	4,154	4,154
Securities (Indian Government)	3,729	3,729
Securities (British Government)	5,950	5,950

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE

SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY 18 MAY.

Buyers	Sellers	Prices	Buyers	Sellers	Prices
\$135 1/2	\$135 1/2		H.K. Banks		\$135 1/2
			Do. (Col. Reg.)		234
			Do. (Lon. Reg.)		234
			Chartered Bank		271
			Mercantile Bk. "A"		237
			Mercantile Bk. "C"		213
			Bank of East Asia		230
			N. C. & S. Bank		91
			Insurance		
			Canton Insurance		C.D.
			Union Insurance		\$230
			Underwriters		\$437 1/2
			H.K. Fire		\$180
			Shipping		
			Douglases		\$67
			Steamboats		\$15
			Indo-China (Prof.)		\$50
			Indo-China (Def.)		\$34
			Shells		\$31 1/2
			Waterboats		\$8.40
			Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.		
			H.K. & K. Wharves		\$108
			Provident (new)		\$7.90
			H.K. & W. Dock		
			Do. (new)		
			Shanghai Dock S.		\$108
			New Engineering S.		\$19/6
			Mining		
			Kailans		\$3.10
			Raupe		\$2.10
			Venezuela Gold Fide		\$3
			Hong Kong Mines		4 cts
			Land, Hotels and Buildings		
			H.K. Hotels		\$5 1/2
			H.K. Lands		\$34 1/2
			Do. 4% Debentures		\$100
			Shanghai Lands S.		\$3.70
			H.K. Realities		\$4.30
			Humphreys		\$7.90
			Chinese Estates		
			Cotton Mills		
			Ewo. (S.)		\$18 1/2
			Shai Cotton (S.)		\$11 1/2
			Zoong Sings (S.)		\$42
			Wing On Textiles (S.)		\$48 1/2
			Public Utilities		
			Tramways		\$18.70
			Peak Tram (new)		\$4
			Star Ferry		\$32.50
			Yankee Ferry		\$32.50
			Do. (new)		\$34
			China Lights (O)		\$5.60
			China Lights (New)		
			China Lights Rte.		
			H.K. Electric		\$58 1/2
			Wing On Electric		
			Sandakka Electric		
			Telephones (old)		\$33 1/2
			Telephones (new)		\$37 1/2
			Traction (new)		\$27 1/2
			Industries		
			Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.		
			Cald. Macg. (Pref.) S.		
			Canton Ice		\$1
			Cement		\$13
			Ropes		\$3.80
			Miscellaneous		
			Dairy Farm Rte.		\$11 1/2
			Ch. B. Bannock		\$4.55
			Constructions (old)		\$11
			Constructions (new)		
			Lane Crawford		O.D.
			Nanyang Tobacco		\$8
			Sinoceres		\$1.80
			Watsons		\$7.30
			Ch. G. 5% 1926 Sds.		\$103 1/2
			H.K. Gov. 4% Loan		\$100
			H.K. Gov. 3 1/2% Loan		\$98 1/2
			H.K. Wing On		\$8 1/2
			Vibro Piling		\$7 1/2
			Maramba Inv. (Lon.)		\$1
			Maramba Inv. (H.K.)		
			Wm. Powell		\$1
			*Sales to Shanghai		

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, May 17.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red after 1952)	92-15/16	Union Insurance	30 1/2
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	19 1/2	Gula Kalumpung Rubber	18 1/2
1898 (Brit. Issue)	67 1/2	Allied Ironfounders	19
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan	67 1/2	Asso. & Elec. Industries	38/3
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds	64 1/2	Austin Motors, Ford	30/10 1/2
1925-47	64 1/2	Cable & Wireless, New	47 1/2
China 4 1/2% Anglo-French	61	Form, ord.	47 1/2
Loan, 1924-47	61	B.A. Tob. (bearer)	98 1/4
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan	38	Cammell Laird, ord.	8 1/2
1912	38	Mexican Eagle	9/3
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan	52	Courtsalds	25
1913 (Lon. Ia.)	52	Distillers	90/3
Chinese 5% Ster. Notes	17 1/2	Dunlop Rubber	27/6
1925 (Vickers)	17 1/2	Gen. Electric (England)	79/6
China Imperial Rly. 5%	63	Guinness (A) Son & Co.	107/8
Loan	63	Hawker Siddeley Airc.	19/3
Roman Rly. 5%	21	Bristol Aeroplane	20/10 1/2
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	22	Imperial Chemical Ind.	30/4 1/2
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	20 1/2	Imperial Tobacco	129 1/4
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5%	18 1/2	Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	61 1/4
S'hai-N'king Rly. 5%	25	Rolls-Royce	106/3
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	18	Leyland Motors	92/8
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	18	Tate & Lyle	61/8
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	18	Turner & Newall	77 1/2
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	18	United Steel	24/8
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	37	Smethwick Drop Forg.	16/3
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924	36	Armstrong Stevens, ord.	6/8
Ger. 7% Intz. Loan, 1924	36	Pressed Steel, com.	17
Chartered Bank	7 1/2	Vickers, ord.	16/3
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Lon. Reg.)	84	Woolworths	62/10 1/2
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	84	Anglo-Dutch	25/9
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	19/6	Bur. Plant. Invest. Trust	8/4 1/2
Chosen Corporation	5/6	Sunam Corporation	1
Pekin Syndicate	2 1/2	Commonwealth Mining	15
S'hai Elec. Corp. Co.	25	Maramba Investments	40/4 1/2
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19 1/2	Randfontein Estates	12/7 1/2

DOW JONES AVERAGE

	1939	May 16	High	Low	Close	Change
15-45 121.44	121.44	121.44	121.44	121.44	121.44	121.44
24.23 24.14	24.14	24.14	24.14	24.14	24.14	24.14
25.53 25.71	25.71	25.71	25.71	25.71	25.71	25.71
22.23 22.46	22.46	22.46	22.46	22.46	22.46	22.46
48.01 48.09	48.09	48.09	48.09	48.09	48.09	48.09

PAYNE & CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
HONGKONG

COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, May 17, 1939.

SINGAPORE RUBBER

	May 18	May 17	change
buyers	27-5/8	27-7/8	28-1/8 up 1/2
July-SEPT.	27-3/8	27-5/8	28-1/8 up 3/4
OCT.-DEC.	27-3/8	27-5/8	28-1/8 up 3/4

The market opened 3/8 of a cent higher for all deliveries as compared with Tuesday's closing quotations.

Throughout the session the market ruled with a steady and firmer undertone, thus responding to better advices received from London and New York.

Fair demand for "actuals" as well as for forward positions by dealers and speculators was a feature in to-day's market. There were also buying orders in the market for substantial quantities from New York at prices, slightly below ruling values.

Late in the afternoon prices moved higher by 1/8 cent for all deliveries on persistent further buying, but it was difficult to arrange business due to the reserved attitude of sellers.

Closing tone was steady.

It would appear that the better sentiment was caused by the announcement of a 55 per cent permissible export-quota for July-September, which was generally anticipated. However, the removal of this uncertainty, which had been overhanging the market recently, had a stimulating influence upon activity. Future price-movements of Rubber would seem to be dependent upon general business-trend, particularly in U.S.A., developments in the international political situation etc.

LONDON RUBBER

	Previous close	To-day's close	Change
buyers	8-1/16	8-1/8	unch.
July-SEPT.	8-1/16	8-1/8	unch.
OCT.-DEC.	8-1/16	8-1/8	unch.
JAN.-MARCH	8-1/16	8-1/8	unch.

After ruling firm on Home-trade and American buying, the market eased on disappointing New York advices and closed quiet.

NEW YORK COTTON

The market was irregular after a steady opening. There was good trade and speculative buying in near positions, especially July, whilst distance options showed some tendency to ease off. The market presented a nervous appearance. Towards the close gains in near options were also partially pared off.

NEW YORK RUBBER

The fillip provided by the "quota" decision in yesterday's market was not sustained by sufficient volume of business, and prices began to drift. The market was featureless with operators ignoring advices of firmness in the London market.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Weather considerations predominated the market. A dull market was evidenced by price movements within narrow limits.

	Previous close	To-day's close	Change
Dow Jones Industrial Averages	129.86	129.09	off 77

N. Y. Commodity Market

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Calbertson & Fritz and S. E. Levy & Company)

	High	Low	Prev. To-day's	Close	Change
New York Cotton, July	8.74	8.58	8.55	8.70	15 up
New York Rubber, July	16.08	16.05	16.10	16.08	02 off
Chicago Wheat, July	74	73	73 1/2	74	1 off
Chicago Corn, July	51 1/2	50 1/2	51 1/2	51	1 off
Winnipeg Wheat, July	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	65	1 up
New York Hides, July	10.34	10.20	10.36	10.34	02 off

NEW YORK COTTON

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
July	8.55/55	8.60/61	8.68/70	15 up
October	7.80/81	7.89/89	7.96/98	01 off
December	7.69/70	7.71/71	7.87/87	03 off
January	7.66 N	7.67/67	7.84 N	02 off
March	7.62/62	7.60/59	7.60/61	01 off
May	7.50b/54a	7.61/61		
Spot	9.55 N	9.44 N		11 off

NEW YORK RUBBER

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	16.00b/05a	16.00b/04a		01 off
July	16.06/10	16.15b/16a	16.06b/08a	02 off
September	16.10b/12a	16.17b/18a	16.09b/11a	01 off
December	16.13/13	16.20b/20a	16.15/15	02 up
March	16.14 N	16.21b/21a	16.17 N	03 up
Spot	16-3/32	16-1/16		1/32 off

Total Sales—220 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1 up
July	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	1 off
September	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	1 off

Tuesday's Sales—21,791,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

July	51 1/2	51/50 1/2	50 1/2/51	1	off
September	51 1/2	51 1/2/51 1/2	51 1/2/51 1/2	1	off
WINNIPEG WHEAT					

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"We hear a great deal to-day about anti-aircraft guns, tanks, and so forth, but we do not always remember that in order to feed the nation we have to import 100,000 tons of food per day from overseas, and that the capacity for doing so is being seriously impaired."

CREW DIFFICULTY

"Even if the necessary number of ships were built, it would be difficult to provide them with crews. The personnel of the mercantile marine has decreased by something like 80,000, while the population of the country has increased by about 4,000,000."

"The remedy does not lie in merely giving subsidies to merchant shipping. Something more is required if we are to regain our lost supremacy. I suggest the need for a stipulation that 'what we buy we carry'."

NEW CLAUSE

"In other words, a clause should be added to every trade

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The turnover was small but again business reported on better levels than the opening quotation. It would appear that bargain hunters are still on the look out for soft snaps, but holders continue to display a quiet patience and are not showing anxiety to liquidate or meet demands at low prices.

BUYERS

H.K. Bank, \$1355.
 Canton Ins., \$230.
 Union Ins., \$430.
 H.K. Fins., \$180.
 H.K. Wharves, \$100.
 H.K. Docks, \$17.60.
 Providents, \$41.
 Humphreys, \$7.80.
 H.K. Tramways, \$16.40.
 Star Ferries, \$65.
 China Lights (O), \$8.40.
 China Lights (N), \$5.30.
 Sandakan Lights, \$11.90.
 Canton Ice, \$1.
 Cements, \$121.
 H.K. Ropes, \$3.65.
 Dairy Farms Ex Rights, \$21.
 Dairy Farms Rights, \$15.
 Wing On (H.K.), \$41.
 Entertainments, \$63.
 H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 3 1/4 pm
 H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 Loan par.

SELLERS

H.K. Hotels, \$54.
 H.K. Tramways, \$16.60.
 China Lights (N), \$5.60.
 Telephone (O), \$24.

SALES

H.K. Bank, \$1355.
 Union Ins., \$430.
 H.K. Wharves, \$1074.
 H.K. Docks, \$17.65.
 H.K. Tramways, \$16 1/2.
 China Lights (O), \$8.65.
 Marsmans (H.K.), 3/9.

PHILIPPINE MINING QUOTATIONS

	Centavos
Antamok	28
Baguio Gold	24
Benguet Consol.	11.70
Demonstrations	13
I. X. L.	62
San Maurice	1.08
United Paracale	55
Itogon	224
North Camarines	384

PHILIPPINE GOLD MINING QUOTATIONS

Thursday, May 18, 1939.

	Centavos
Antamok	28
Baguio Gold	24
Benguet Consol.	11.70
Demonstrations	13
I. X. L.	62
Paracale Gums	194
San Maurice	1.08
United Paracale	55
North Camarines	384
Market Comment—Quiet.	

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

on Thursday, May 18, 1939.

H.K. Banks	5	\$1,360.00
Trams	200	16.55
H.K. Docks	200	17.65
Ewos	500	\$18.50
Antamoks	10,000	Ps. 0.28

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, May 17 (Reuters).

COFFER

buyers sellers

Standard, Cash	41	41-1/16
Standard,		
3 months 41-5/16		41-3/8
Electrolytic	47	48

TIN

Standard, Cash	225-1/4	225-1/2
Standard,		
3 months 223		223-1/4

LEAD

Foreign,		
Official Price 14-3/8		14-7/16
Foreign Official		
3 months 14-5/8		14-11/16

SPELTITE

Ordinary,		
Official Price 13-7/16		13-9/16
Ordinary Official		
3 months 13-3/4		13-13/16

Final Afternoon Transactions

Tin, Standard, Cash	225-3/4	value.
Tin, Standard, 3 Months	223-1/4	paid and buyers.

agreement that any goods purchased should be carried in British ships.

"We sincerely hope that the action now being taken by the Government to improve the position of British shipping will not be too late, and that in ships, men, and reserves, the merchant navy will be in an efficient state to meet all the demands of upon it."

NORTH CHINA CURRENCY

JAPANESE MOVE TO REVALUE F.R.B. DOLLAR: STATEMENT IN HOUSE OF COMMONS—TOKYO'S REPLY UNSATISFACTORY

PEIPING, MAY 18 (REUTERS)—THE SEMI-OFFICIAL TIEN-TSIN NEWSPAPERS REPORT THAT THE JAPANESE-CONTROLLED FEDERAL RESERVE BANK IN NORTH CHINA has definitely decided to revalue the new Reserve Bank dollar, nominally worth 14 pence, at 8 pence.

The object of the move is to decrease the parity between the new and the old currency, to promote trade and to lower the commodity prices, which, in many instances, are now 200 per cent higher than before the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

LONDON, May 18 (Reuters)—In the House of Commons yesterday, Com. A. Maraden (Con) asked what reply had been received from the Japanese Government to the protest of His Majesty's Government against their action in prohibiting exports from North China unless the foreign exchange proceeds were sold against Federal Reserve Bank notes at 1 and whether foreign trade in Tientsin was still affected by this prohibition?

JAPANESE REPLY

Mr. R.A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a circulated reply, said that the reply of the Japanese Government stated that the measures taken were intended to secure that Federal Reserve notes, which was the only legal currency in North China, should adequately fulfil the functions of a trade currency.

It was not the case that a general control of trade and

foreign exchange transactions in North China were under contemplation. Endorsement of transactions would obtain without discrimination provided a trade conforming with the prescribed procedure and British interests would meet no unfair obstacles.

The Japanese Government considered that no question of treaty rights could arise in connexion with such measures because the Provisional Government had full sovereign rights in the matter of the import and export system.

For these reasons the measures in question did not conflict with the Japanese assurances that the interests of Third Powers would be respected and the Japanese Government, therefore, was justified in co-operating with the establishment of the new system.

UNSATISFACTORY REPLY

These measures, Mr. Butler went on, continued to seriously affect foreign trade in Tientsin. His Majesty's Government considered the Japanese reply unsatisfactory and further strong representations were under consideration.

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Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's surveyors.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the godown and all claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the ship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognized.

Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for counter-signature.

MELORES & CO., Agents.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

Hong Kong, 17th May, 1939. [399]

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HONG KONG, 16th May, 1939. [391]

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S.S. <td>"PRESIDENT PIERCE"</td> <td>Sails <td>July 14th at 12.01 A.M.</td> </td>	"PRESIDENT PIERCE"	Sails <td>July 14th at 12.01 A.M.</td>	July 14th at 12.01 A.M.
S.S. <td>"PRESIDENT COOLIDGE"</td> <td>Sails <td>July 28th at 10.00 A.M.</td> </td>	"PRESIDENT COOLIDGE"	Sails <td>July 28th at 10.00 A.M.</td>	July 28th at 10.00 A.M.

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AND FORTNIGHTLY THEREAFTER

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S.S. <td>"PRESIDENT TAFT"</td> <th>Sails</th> <th>June 9th at 1.00 A.M.</th>	"PRESIDENT TAFT"	Sails	June 9th at 1.00 A.M.
S.S. <td>"PRESIDENT POLK"</td> <th>Sails</th> <th>June 9th at 12.01 A.M.</th>	"PRESIDENT POLK"	Sails	June 9th at 12.01 A.M.
S.S. <td>"PRESIDENT CLEVELAND"</td> <th>Sails</th> <th>June 23rd at 1.00 A.M.</th>	"PRESIDENT CLEVELAND"	Sails	June 23rd at 1.00 A.M.

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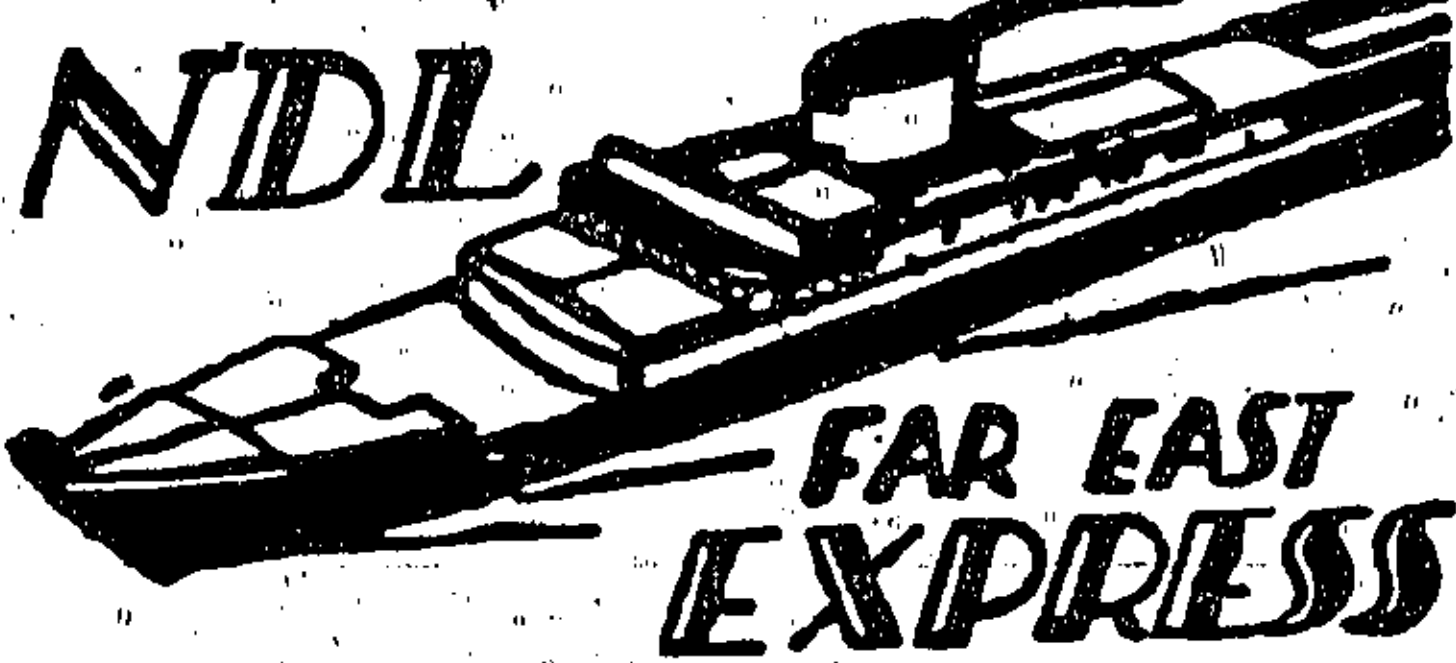
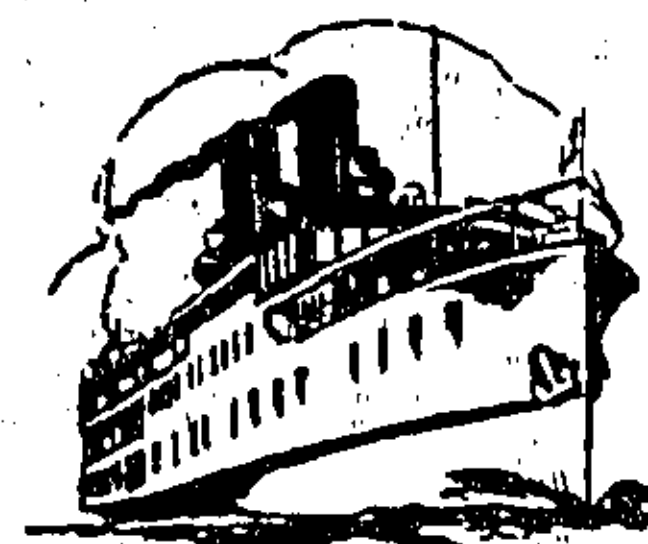
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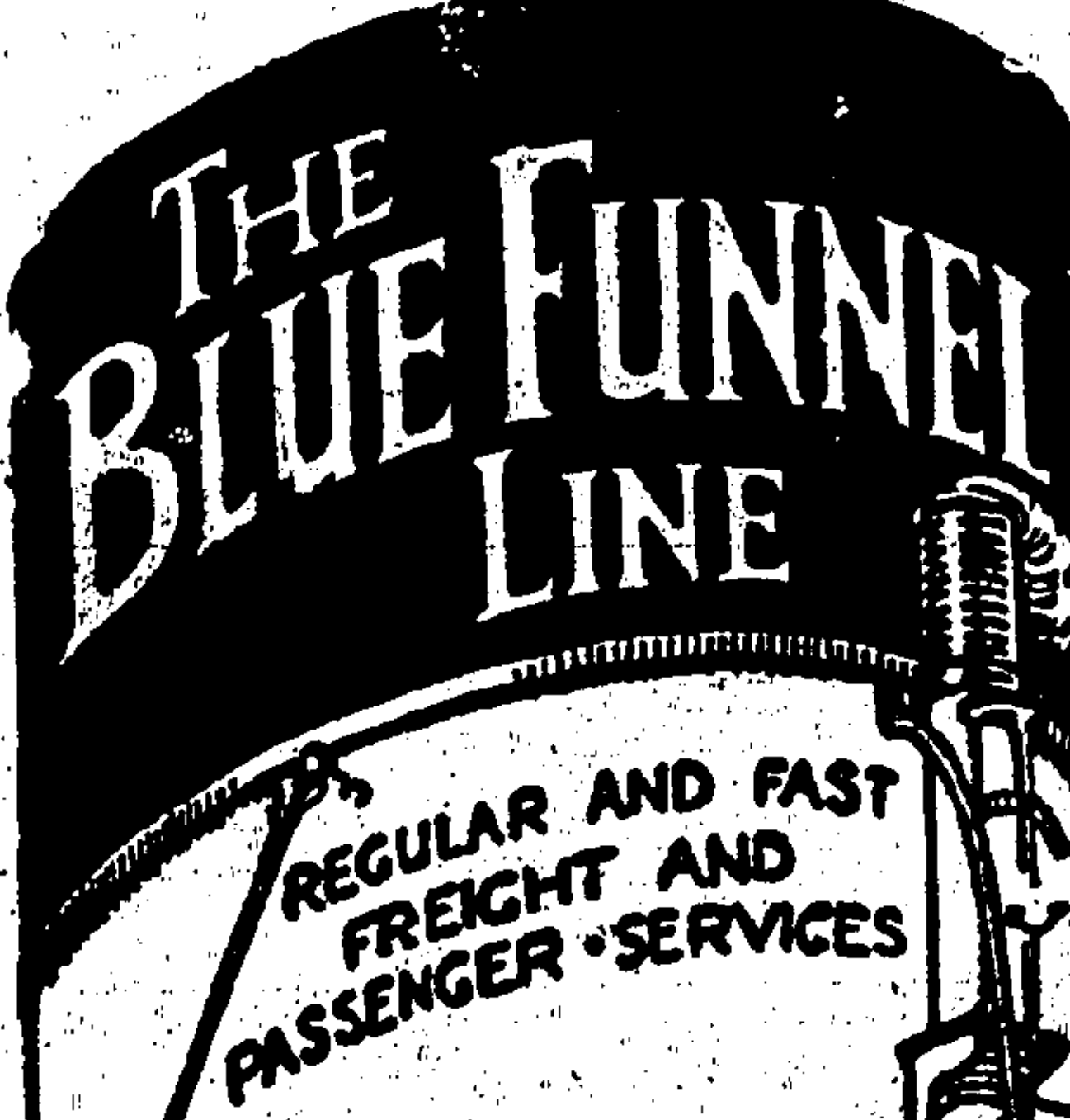
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Straits & Ceylon	Scharnhorst	Singapore, Penang, Belawan, Colombo	June 1
	Nectar	Manila, Saigon, S'pore, Belawan, Colombo	June 24
Manila	Scharnhorst	Manila	June 1
Shanghai & Japan	Gneisenau	Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	July 12
Shanghai, North China & Japan	Nectar	Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo	May 23
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FELICISIMO AMPON GIVES FINE DISPLAY ON STAND COURT

But Sanchez Disappointed In Yesterday's Exhibitions

TSUI WAI-PUT BEATS P.I. NO. 1; H. D. RUMJAHN'S GOOD FORM

(By "TAC")

FELICISIMO AMPON, officially ranked No. 2 in the 1939 Philippines two-men Davis Cup team of Sanchez and Ampon, may not beat any world-class player on his trip, but, if his form against Tsui Yun-pui, Hongkong's own No. 2, in the course of the exhibitions at the Cricket Club ground yesterday is any criterion, he should get a lot of "big hands" from fans in the United States.

For he demonstrated clearly that, though young in years, and small in stature into the bargain, he is possessed of an agility, energy and power of volleying that would do credit to many an American or European player. His powers of retrieving had to be seen to be believed.

Tsui Yun-pui, though not particularly athletic-looking while walking around the court, is no "slouch" when the ball is in play, yet he was made to look very slow in comparison. Time and again Ampon got to shots on which most people would have bet ten to one he would not even get near and turned a "certain" winner into a boomerang for his opponent.

At the net he was always a menace. There was nothing soft about his volleying! Usually he followed up a forehand drive put to Tsui's backhand, got right up and tucked away the return with such force and such fine judgment that Tsui often made no attempt to reach it.

But (at the risk of repeating myself) this was not what deservedly earned for him most, of the rounds of loud and spontaneous applause. It was his half run-half slide dashes across the court, getting to balls which it seemed sure he could not reach, that won

the admiration of the large crowd present.

"MIGHTY SPEEDY MITE"
Ampon has been dubbed the "Mighty Mite" by Manila news-men—"Mighty Speedy Mite" would do him more justice, I think!

His ground shots, particularly on the backhand, were not as good as his play in the air, and that was the main reason why Tsui Yun-pui was able to run him to a 7-5 first set. In the second set, however, Ampon was all over the local man, and conceded only one game.

SANCHEZ DISAPPOINTS
Armado Sanchez must have been a bad disappointment to his many friends and supporters. Not only was he beaten by the Colony champion, but the victory was a decisive, clear-cut one in the course of which Tsui Wai-put showed a greater variety of strokes, executed them better, and displayed better all-round judgment.

On yesterday's showing it is only fair to think that if Tsui had the same opportunities as Kho Sin-kie and W. C. Choy,

SCORES

Scores at yesterday's exhibitions were:—

Sanchez and Ampon beat Rumjahn Cousins 7-5, 6-4.
Ampon beat Tsui Yun-pui 7-5, 6-1.
Tsui Wai-put beat Sanchez 6-4, 6-2.

The Philippine players sailed on the President Pierce at midnight last night in continuation of their journey to the States.

he would go as far as they have—at least as far as Choy.

It was impressed on me by a Philippines supporter that Sanchez is essentially a hard-surface player, and that conditions yesterday were even more unsuited to him than on Wednesday. Nevertheless, I think Tsui would still beat him, or go quite near to it, under his conditions.

The first set between these two was a close enough affair, games with service till 4-4, when Tsui made the important break-through, to clinch the set at 6-4. In the second set, however, the Hongkong champion was definitely the master and the score of 6-2 was fair indication of the play.

H. D.'s FINE DISPLAY

Previous to the singles the visitors had taken part in a doubles game against the Rumjahn Cousins, which they won by scores of 7-5, 6-4—a fair enough reflection of the respective merits.

The two who impressed most in this match were Ampon and H. D. Rumjahn. The latter played very well indeed, at times reaching a height he has not attained thus far this season. Sirdar, on the other hand, was inconsistent and made many mistakes.

GOVERNOR PRESENT

Though the Stand Court was by no means packed, people were standing two and three deep on the other side and taking for the two days' exhibitions must be quite satisfactory.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, watched the best part of the matches yesterday.

H.K. Y'S MEN'S CLUB

Address On Chinese Language

Dr. Erwin Reifler, Austrian expert in Chinese language and Professor of Chinese at University, Shanghai, delivered an interesting address before the Hongkong Y's Men's Club at their weekly meeting at St. Francis Hotel, yesterday, on the ideas foreigners have about the Chinese language.

In the absence of Dr. Li Shu-pui, President of the Club, Mr. C. P. Wong was in the chair.

Dr. Reifler said that his first acquaintance with the Chinese language was made at the age of 14 during a geography lesson on China in a lower middle school when the "geography professor" mentioned from his own experience that the Chinese possessed a language and writing which they themselves did not understand.

It was surprising that there were many foreigners even to-day who held the same view. Sinology was really very complicated, but those who did not know anything about it should keep away from it.

TWO REASONS

There were, however, two reasons for this view—Chinese tradition and European school Sinology which had become influenced by Chinese tradition. Chinese tradition contained ideas about the Chinese language which were entirely based on subjective experience. The responsibility for this belief by foreigners lay with foreign school Sinology which failed to establish a standard by which the language and writing could be measured.

The speaker next dwelt on the grammar aspect of the Chinese language and again corrected a mistaken belief that the Chinese language had no grammar. There was no language in the world, he said, which had no grammar or an organized form of speech, except the language of animals.

Referring to Chinese writing, Dr. Reifler said that here, too, there had been a deal of adverse criticism by people who did not know enough about the subject.

All the characters used in Chinese language were indeed the organic natural growth of a highly

FIVE GAMES START "D" DIVISION LEAGUE

Kowloon Tong's Nine-Nil Win Over Indian R.C.

Five of the six matches down for decision in the opening block of "D" Division matches in the tennis league were played yesterday, the Y.M.C.A.—K.I.T.C. encounter being postponed.

All matches resulted as expected, though South China's win over Club de Recreo was by a bigger margin than had been anticipated. The best performance of the day was that by Kowloon Tong, Club, which beat R.C. "B" by nine clear sets.

Scores follow:—

K.C.C. v. K.D.R.C.
Kowloon Cricket Club defeated the K.D.R.C. 7-1 to 1-1. The scores: Millard and Anderson (K.D.R.C.) drew with Perry and Blyth 6-6; lost to Gillard and Crabb 3-6; beat Brock and Januszowski 6-2; Lapsley and Thom (K.D.R.C.) lost to Perry and Blyth 4-6; lost to Gillard and Crabb 2-6; lost to Brock and Januszowski 2-6.

White and Mackenzie (K.D.R.C.) lost to Perry and Blyth 0-6; lost to Gillard and Crabb 2-6; lost to Brock and Januszowski 4-6.

K.T.G.C.A. v. I.R.C.
Playing on their own courts, Kowloon Tong Garden Association defeated Indian Recreation Club "B" nine to nil. The scores: K. Lam and S. M. Lee (K.T.G.A.) beat Nazarin and Rumjahn 7-5; beat Madar and Razack 6-3; beat Hamet and Marker 6-0; P. Chen and P. Fletcher (K.T.G.A.) beat Nazarin and Rumjahn 6-0; beat Madar and Razack 6-3; beat Hamet and Marker 6-1.

K. M. Lee and L. S. Chan (K.T.G.A.) beat Nazarin and Rumjahn 6-1; beat Madar and Razack 6-0; beat Hamet and Marker 7-5.

SOUTH CHINA v. RECREO
South China "A.A." defeated Recreo, seven to two. The scores: R. A. Marques and A. M. Alves (Recreo) beat K. C. Wong and K. T. Ng 6-4.

lost to C. S. Wong and P. Y. Kwok 4-6; lost to C. M. Tsang and H. L. Wong 3-6; L. G. Gosano and L. Remedios (Recreo) lost to Wong and Ng 2-6; beat Wong and Kwok 6-3; lost to Tsang and Wong 2-6; C. D'Almada e Castro and A. E. Norepha (Recreo) lost to Wong and Ng 0-6; lost to Wong and Kwok 4-6; lost to Tsang and Wong 5-7.

R.P.S.C. v. C.S.C.C.
Playing at the R.P.S.C. ground, the C.S.C.C. defeated the home team by 5 sets to 4.

B. Baxter and L. G. Buckle (C.S.C.C.) drew with Fung Ying-sing and Chan Chun-1p 6-6; lost to Wong King-wai and Ho Tak-fan 4-6; beat So Yan-kit and Tao Kwok-fai 6-2.

A. J. Peaker and A. M. J. Wright (C.S.C.C.) lost to Fung and Chan 3-6; beat Wong and Ho 7-5; drew with So and Tao 6-6.

W. M. Colledge and J. G. Hooper (C.S.C.C.) lost to Fung and Chan 3-6; beat Wong and Ho 6-4; beat So and Tao 6-0.

INDIAN R.C. v. C.R.C.
Playing at Indian R.C. yesterday, the home team were defeated by the Chinese R.C. by 7-1 sets to 1-1.

Cho Cheung-yun and Chiu To-hang (C.R.C.) beat T. Ali and K. Ram 6-0; beat M. Hussain and A. Bux 6-2; beat S. M. Rumjahn and I. Kitchell 6-1.

Cheng, Cho-wing and Li Ting-fan (C.R.C.) beat Ali and Ram 6-1; beat Hussain and Bux 6-2; beat Rumjahn and Kitchell 6-2.

Wei Chung and Lo Tung-fan (C.R.C.) drew with Ali and Ram 6-6; lost to Hussain and Bux 2-6; beat Rumjahn and Kitchell 6-2.

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